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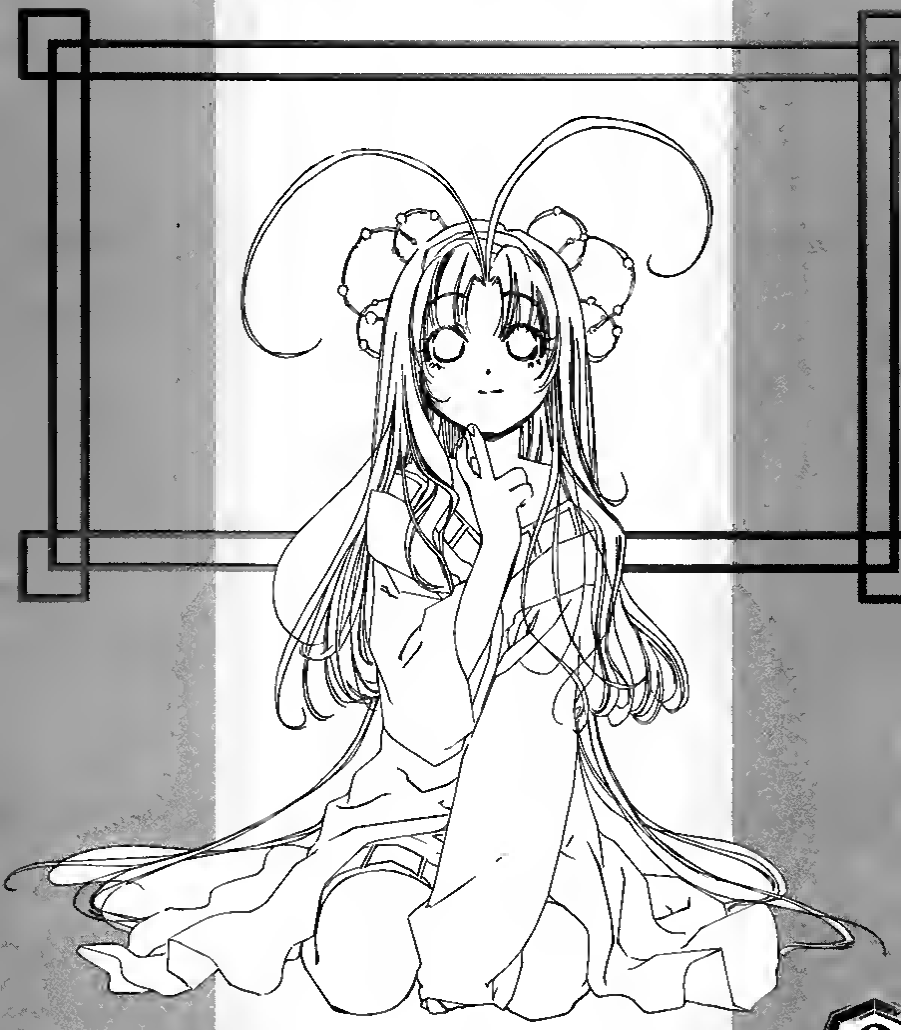

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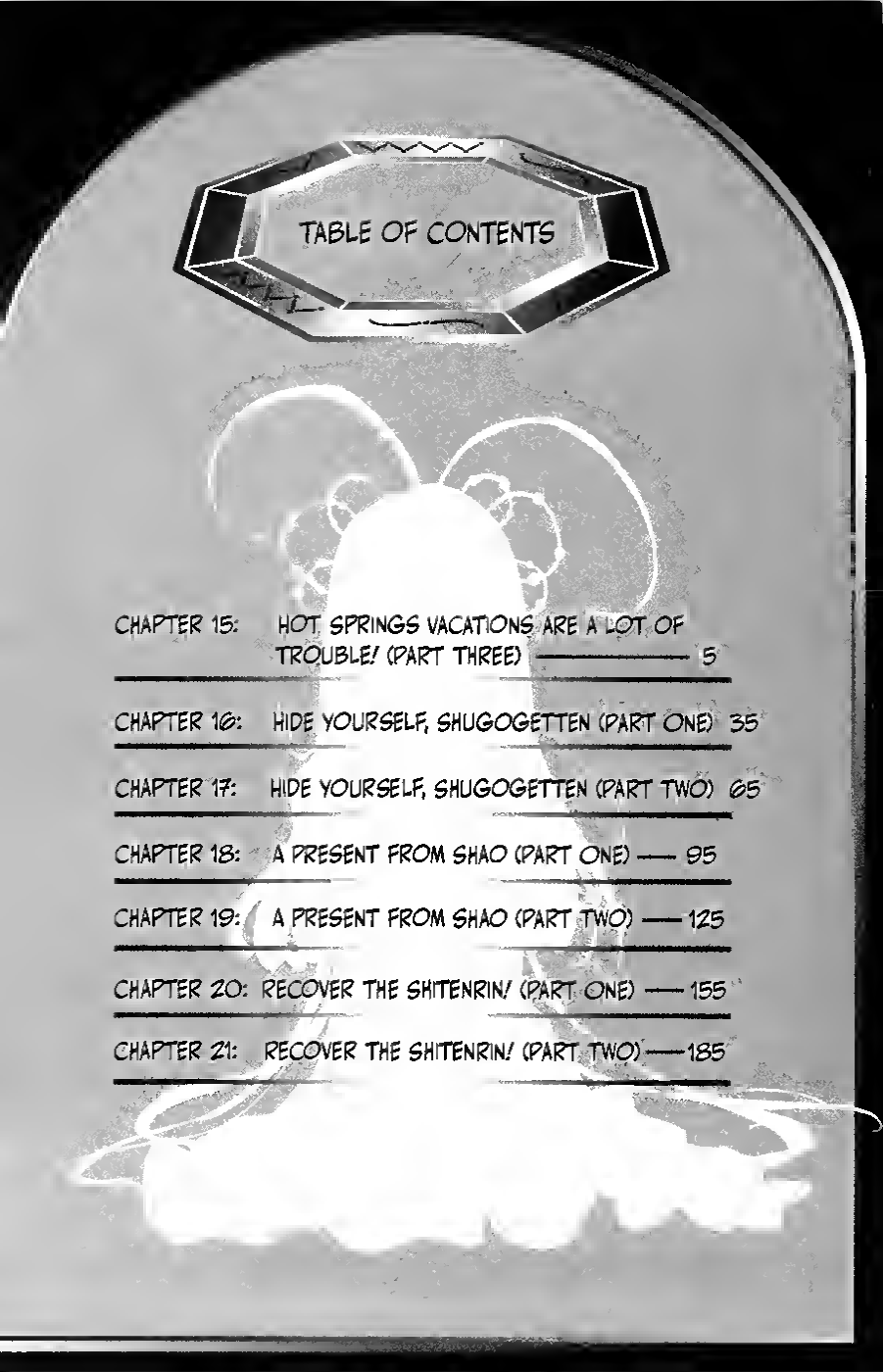

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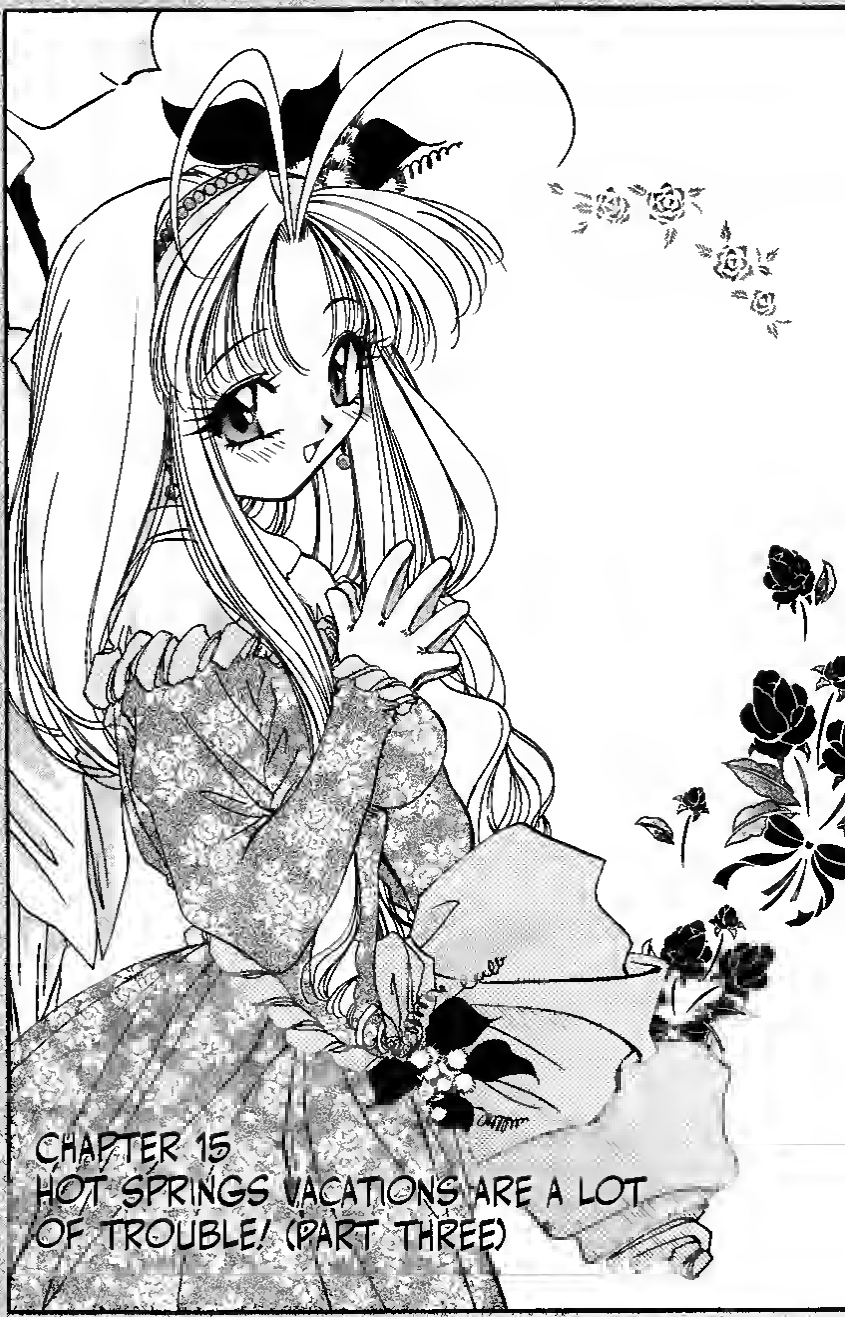


CHAPTER 15
HOT SPRINGS VACATIONS ARE A LOT OF TROUBLE! (PART THREE)

OH, MY...
WHAT IS EVERYONE DOING?
A BRAVE YOUNG LOVER IS ABOUT TO TAKE TO THE SKIES.
GULP
GASP

PREPARE TO BLAST OFF!!
OH. ♡ HOW WONDERFUL!
...HUH?!
YEP.
WAAAH--
SH-SHAO!!
ニュボ
BOOM!

WAS THAT MASTER TASUKE?!
TASUKEEEE!!
AAAAA!!
がわーん!!
SHAO..?
?
?
HYPER-FEET LAUNCH!
BUT...
MASTER TASUKE...
...DID THIS FOR ME?!
BUT... THAT'S...!

MASTER TASUKE!!
KENEN!!
RAI, RAI...
I HAVE TO SAVE MASTER TASUKE!!
WAIT, SHAO! IT'S TOO DARK FOR YOU TO GO ALONE! IT'S DANGEROUS!

THAT MEANS THAT TASUKE...
...IS NOT FIT TO BE YOUR MASTER.
IF YOU'D JUST WAITED A LITTLE LONGER...
WHAT DID YOU DO, MISS RUUAN?

MAYBE MR. IZUMO'S RIGHT.
I REMEMBER WHEN I FIRST MET HIM...
.....
MAYBE YOU SHOULD...
...DISTANCE YOURSELF FROM TASUKE.
THIS ISN'T THE DANGEROUS PLACE YOU THINK IT IS.
NO ONE WANTS TO TAKE MY LIFE.
HE SOUNDED SO SURE.
EVEN IF SOMETHING HAPPENS, I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF.

IT DIDN'T MATTER TO HIM IF I RETURNED TO THE SHITENRIN.
HE SAID HE DIDN'T NEED ME TO PROTECT HIM.
MAYBE MISS RUUAN WAS RIGHT.
MAYBE THERE ISN'T ANY REASON FOR ME TO STAY HERE.
I, A KEIKOUNITTEN, CAN GRANT MASTER ALL VARIETIES OF HAPPINESS.
AND THEN...
IF YOU STICK AROUND, YOU'LL ONLY BE IN THE WAY.

SO...
...MISS SHAORIN.
YES, BUT....
...EVEN SO...
...I...
...I WANT...
...TO STAY BY MASTER TASUKE'S SIDE.

BUT I WANT...
...TO PROTECT HIM, IF ONLY FROM BEING LONELY.
IT MAY BE TRUE ...
...THAT HE DOESN'T NEED ME...
...AND THAT HE CAN PROTECT HIMSELF.
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME...
...I HAVE EVER CHOSEN MY OWN MASTER.
IT WOULD MAKE ME HAPPY...
...TO STAY BY MASTER TASUKE'S SIDE...
...FOREVER.

.....
BUT...
...LOOK AT HOW MUCH...
IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT?
...PAIN IT CAUSES YOU...
...TO BE WITH HIM.

.....
I KNOW.
BUT...
...LEAVING MASTER TASUKE...
...WOULD BE EVEN MORE PAINFUL.

...TO THINK ABOUT...
IT MAKES ME SAD...
I FEEL UNEASY JUST THINKING ABOUT IT.
...DISTANCING MYSELF FROM HIM.
I KNOW THAT MUCH FOR SURE.
I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE HIS SIDE.

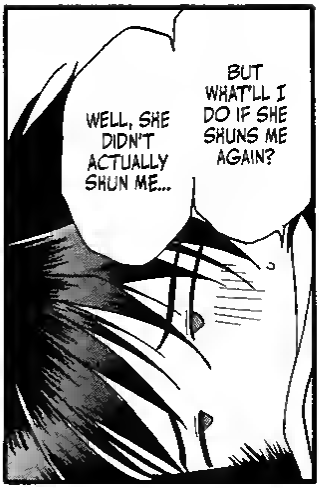
WELL...
TASUKE IS...
...ONE LUCKY GUY.

I'M THE UNLUCKIEST GUY EVER.
I HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO GET DOWN FROM HERE.
AAANYWAY...
WHY DOES THIS...
EEK!!
CRACK
...ALWAYS HAVE TO HAPPEN TO ME?
SOB
I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOUR AIM WAS PERFECT!
STUPID RUUAN!!

OH, KENEN.
DO YOU THINK I'M A BAD SHUGO-GETTEN?
WHEN MR. IZUMO SAID...
...THAT MASTER TASUKE WASN'T SUPPOSED TO BE MY MASTER...
...FOR A SECOND, I THOUGHT...
...HE MIGHT BE RIGHT.

I...
...I DON'T THINK SO ANY MORE.
BUT...
...REMEMBERED...
...THAT I CHOSE MASTER TASUKE...
...TO BE MY MASTER.
AND THEN I REMEMBERED...
I WANT YOU...
...TO STAY HERE FOREVER, SHAO.

MASTER TASUKE ...
...SAID HE WANTED...
...ME TO STAY.
IS THAT A GOOD ENOUGH REASON FOR YOU TO STAY?
OH!
THAT'S WHY...
THAT'S WHY...
PLEASE DON'T LET ME LOSE HIM
COME, KENEN! WE MUST HURRY!!
...WE HAVE TO FIND HIM!


WELL, SHE DIDN'T ACTUALLY SHUN ME...
BUT WHAT'LL I DO IF SHE SHUNS ME AGAIN?

SIGH ...
I HAVE TO GET TO SHAO.
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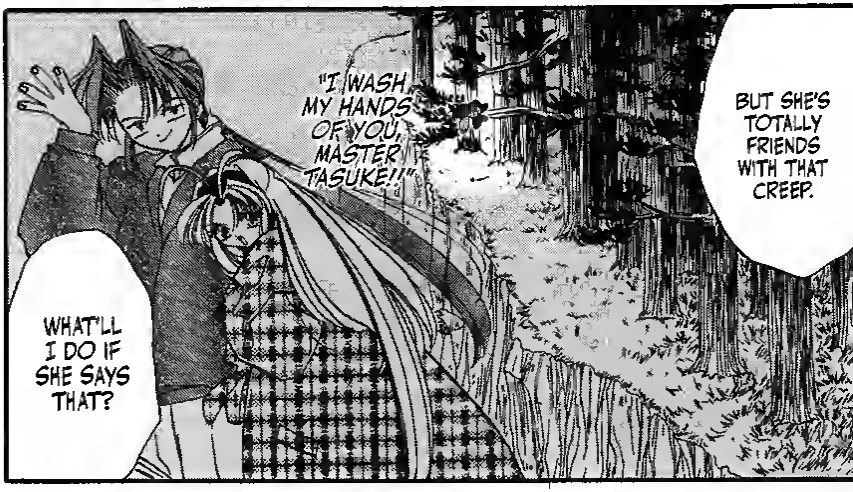
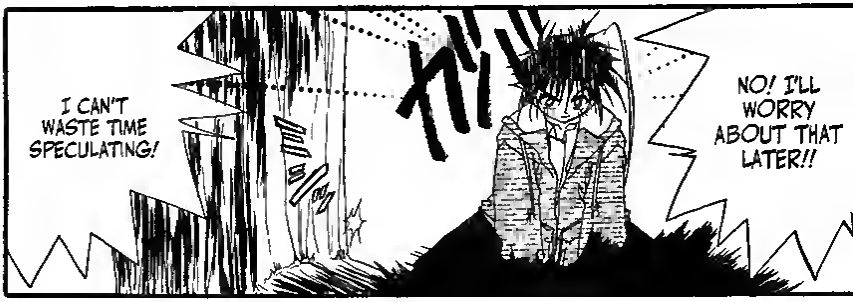

"I WASH MY HANDS OF YOU, MASTER TASUKE!!"
BUT SHE'S TOTALLY FRIENDS WITH THAT CREEP.
WHAT'LL I DO IF SHE SAYS THAT?


I CAN'T WASTE TIME SPECULATING!
NO! I'LL WORRY ABOUT THAT LATER!!

HEEEE!!
...SIT AROUND UP...
THAT'S RIGHT! I CAN'T JUST...
NGH!!
ERK...!

SHAAAOOOO!!
MASTER TASUKE!!

...YOU...
MASTER TASUKE...

...BIG DUMMY!
HUH?!
WHY WOULD YOU DO SOMETHING SO DANGER-OUS?!
YOU ENDANGERED YOURSELF FOR ME?!!
.....
WH-WHAT?!

...IF YOU DIED?!
WHAT WOULD I DO...
YOU COULD HAVE BEEN SERIOUSLY HURT...
...PULLING A FOOLISH STUNT LIKE THIS, OR WORSE!
ドッキ
...HAPPY THAT YOU RISKED YOUR LIFE FOR ME.
ALTHOUGH IT MAKES ME FEEL...
SNIFF... I DON'T KNOW WHY I CAN'T STOP CRYING.
WAAH!
WAAAH! I'M STUPID! A FAILURE AS A SHUGO-GETTEN!!
MY DUTY IS TO PROTECT YOU, YET I'M HAPPY THAT YOU WERE IN DANGER...

SHAO, I THOUGHT...
...YOU DIDN'T CARE ABOUT ME ANYMORE.
I MEAN, WHEN YOU...
...LEFT WITH IZUMO, I THOUGHT...
I...
...COULDN'T IMAGINE WHAT I'D DO...
...IF YOU DIDN'T COME BACK

THAT MEANS YOU FOR-GOT TOO.
DIDN'T YOU?
YOU SHOULDN'T FORGET.
IF YOU BELIEVED WITH ALL YOUR HEART THEN...
...THERE'D BE NO REASON FOR YOU TO WORRY OR BE SAD.

PLEASE ...
...DON'T FORGET AGAIN, OKAY?
I AM A SPIRIT OF THE MOON.
JUST AS THE MOON...
...ALWAYS RETURNS TO THE NIGHT SKY...

AND BESIDES MY DUTIES AS A SHUGOGETTEN...
...ALWAYS RETURN TO YOU.
...SO WILL I...
...IT MAKES ME HAPPY, FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART...
...TO BE BY YOUR SIDE.

MWASTHER THAA.
I'LL PWEED YOU WIF MY MOUF. OFEN WIIBE!
OH, PLEASE UNDERSTAND MY NOBLE SOUL!
THAT'S WHY I SAID NO SMOKE IN THE CAR!
S-STOP THAT.
HERE, OFEN UP.
DON'T BE SO SHY.
YOU KNOW, SHAO...
...YOU SHOULDN'T LET IT GET TO YOU.
.....

ポトッ
BONK
WHA...?
HOW DARE YOU HURT MY MASTER TAA!!
TAKASHI! YOU THREW THAT AT ME, DIDN'T YOU?!!
SH. SHAO?
SHIFT
HUH?
RIGHT.
THAT MADE ME FEEL A LITTLE BETTER.
SHIFT

HOME SWEET HOME.
SHICHIRI
WHEW. FINALLY HERE!!

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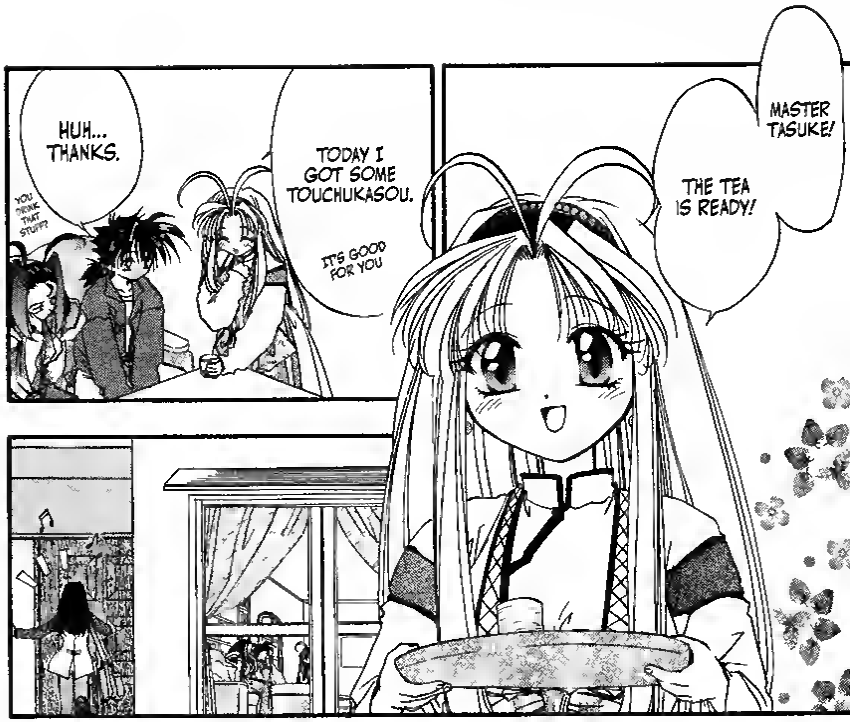
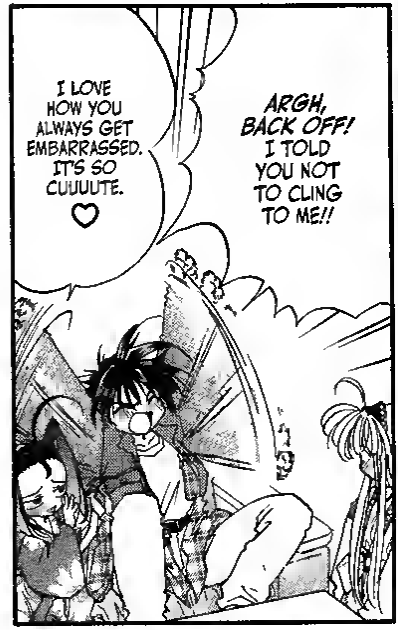
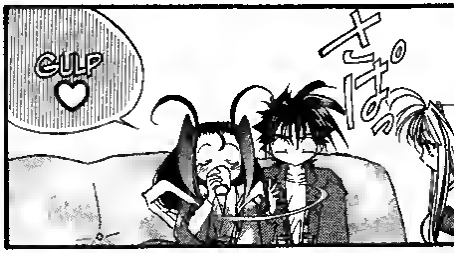
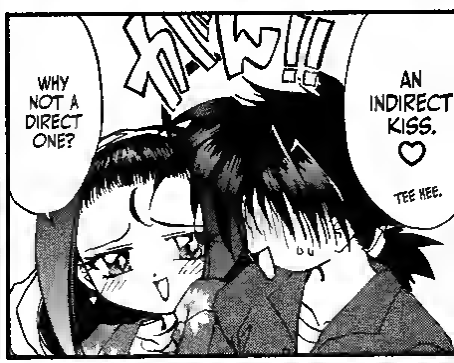
HIDE YOURSELF, SHUGOGETTEN (PART ONE)


MASTER TASUKE!
THE TEA IS READY!
TODAY I GOT SOME TOUCHUKASOU.
IT'S GOOD FOR YOU
HUH... THANKS.
YOU DRINK THAT STUFF?


I LOVE HOW YOU ALWAYS GET EMBARRASSED. IT'S SO CUUUUTE.
ARGH, BACK OFF! I TOLD YOU NOT TO CLING TO ME!!


GULP
ナニ!?


WHY NOT A DIRECT ONE?
カ-ン!!
AN INDIRECT KISS.
TEE HEE.

ピンポーン
DING DONG
OH, SOMEONE'S AT THE DOOR.
...IT?
HELLO. WHO IS...
ガチャ
.....

TEE HEE. ♡
YOO-HOO.
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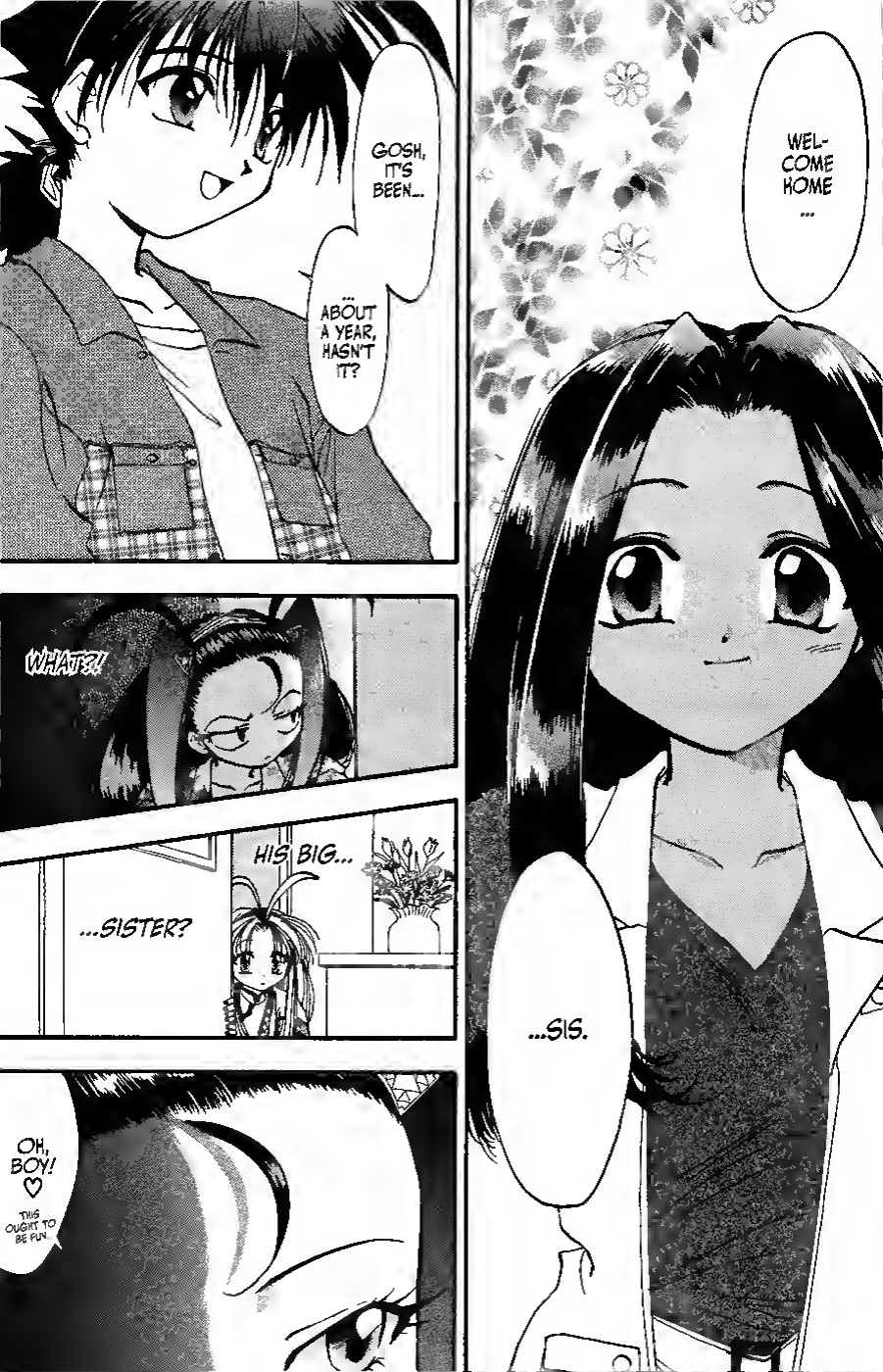
じいいい

THIS IS...
... TERRIBLE!!
SHAO, RUUAN.
I'M SORRY TO DO THIS.
.....
OPEN UP! WHY'D YOU LOCK ME OUT?!
IT WILL ONLY BE FOR A LITTLE WHILE, BUT PLEASE...
HIIIIDE!!

HA HA HA HA HA.
WHY DO I HAVE TO BE IN HERE? *
?
?
?
?
OH, I'M SO SORRY!! YOU SURPRISED ME, SO I JUST, UH, INSTINCTIVELY LOCKED THE DOOR.
THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE.
ANYWAY ...


WEL-
COME
HOME
...
...SIS.
GOSH,
IT'S
BEEN...
...
ABOUT
A YEAR,
HASN'T
IT?
WHAT?!
HIS BIG...
...SISTER?
OH,
BOY!
♡
THIS
OUGHT TO
BE FUN.

...IT'S REALLY CLEAN IN HERE.
I THOUGHT YOU WERE TRYING TO HIDE YOUR USUAL MESS, BUT...
WOW.
FWOMP
I CAN'T BELIEVE A BOY LIVES HERE BY HIMSELF.
HA! ダッダッダッ HA! HA!
WELL, YOUR BIG SISTER SURE IS--
はう?!
WHAT'RE YOU EATING?
HUH? NOTHING. WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
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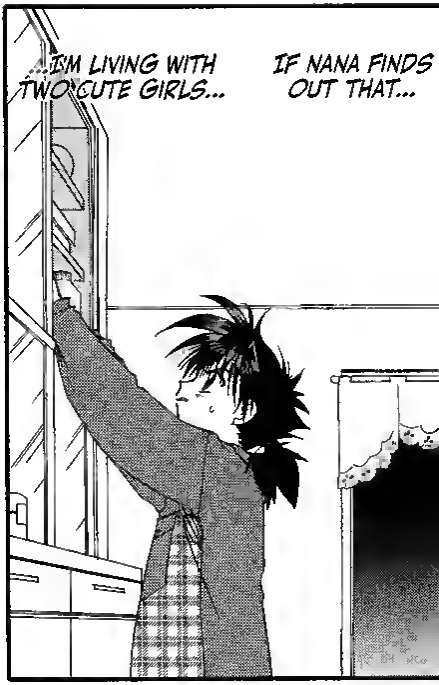
もぐ

LIKE... WHOARGH!!
WELL, SIT DOWN, RELAX.
WHY DON'T YOU HAVE SOME TEA AND TELL ME ABOUT YOUR TRIP?
OOPS! SEE? I MISSED A SPOT!
THERE'S A SPOT HERE TOO, BUT IT'S FINE, REALLY.
TRYING TO HIDE RISHU.
ANYWAY, JUST RELAX!
IT'S MY HOUSE TOO, YOU KNOW.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO TELL ME TO RELAX..
THIS IS BAD. THIS IS BAD. THIS IS BAD!!
UMM...TEA LEAVES...
CLICK
JUST STAY HERE!!
SORRY, RISHU!!

...SHE'LL PROBABLY, NO SHE'LL DEFINITELY ASSUME I'M DOING STUFF THAT I'M DEFINITELY NOT DOING!!


...I'M LIVING WITH TWO CUTE GIRLS...
IF NANA FINDS OUT THAT...

...LOOK AT ME LIKE I'M A PERVERT. I KNOW SHE WILL!!
OH, NASTY.
SHE'LL LET HER IMAGINATION GO AND...

I HAVEN'T MADE IT MYSELF IN FOREVER...
WHERE ARE THE TEA LEAVES?

...HUH?

WHAT'S TAKING YOU SO LONG?
N-NOTHING!!
ドキッ
I THOUGHT YOU HATED THE KITCHEN.
YOU USED TO ALWAYS SAY HOW MUCH YOU HAAATED HOUSEWORK.
I WAS JUST CHECKING ON YOU SINCE YOU DIDN'T COME BACK.
SIGH... IT BRINGS BACK MEMORIES...
SORRY, IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE OUT OF TEA.
YOU ARE ACTING SO STRANGE.
キョトン
.....
WHAT?!!
THERE'S TEA RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU.
TEA

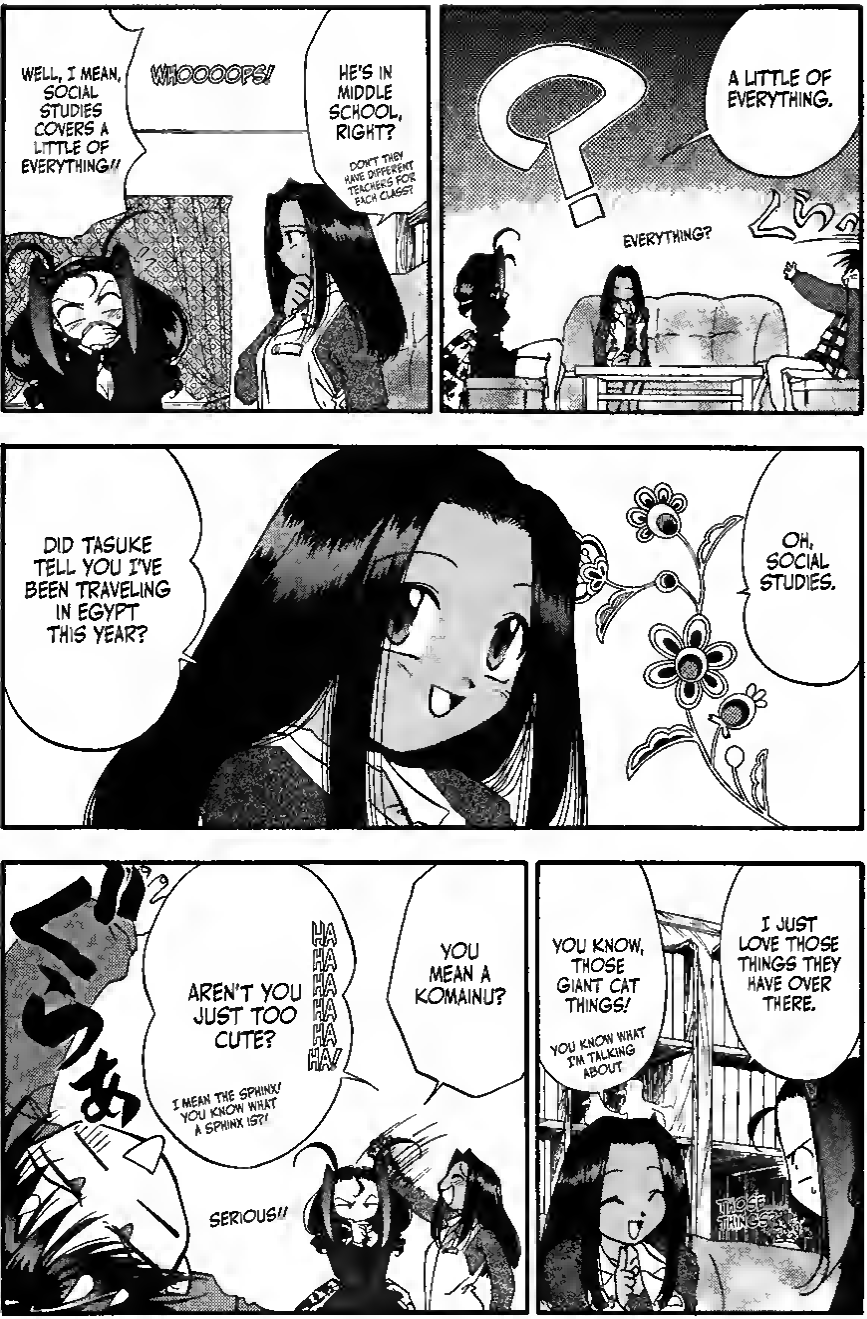
UH...
I WOULD NEVER HIDE ANYTHING FROM YOU, SIS.
YOU KNOW THAT.
YOU AREN'T HIDING ANYTHING, ARE YOU?
ズズズ
.....
O...KAY. ARE YOU SURE?
NOT THAT I'M TRYING TO GET RID OF YOU OR ANYTHING, JUST GO BACK OUT THERE AND RELAX WHILE I GET IT READY!!
Y...YES.
NOW, NOW! SHE'S NOT LOOKING, GO HIDE UPSTAIRS.
CAO FEIYU.
SHAO!!
...AND RUIJUAN.
SO SHE PROBABLY WON'T BE HERE LONG. CAN YOU JUST HIDE UNTIL SHE LEAVES?
PLEASE?
MY SISTER TRAVELS A LOT.

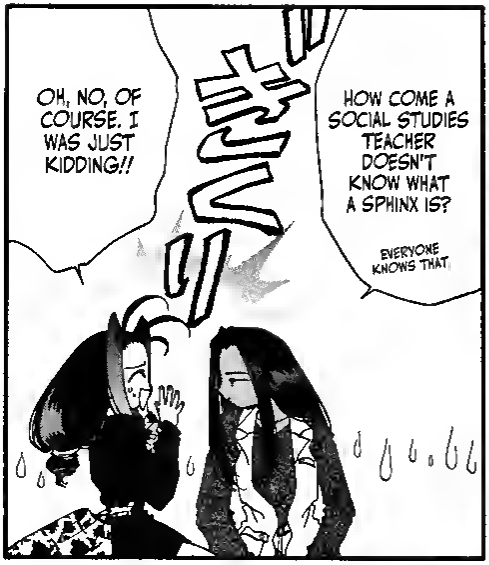
HEY, YOU KNOW..
...IT'S SO NICE SITTING HERE LIKE THIS...
...I ALMOST FEEL LIKE THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME.
O-OH REALLY?
MAYBE I'LL STICK AROUND FOR A WHILE.
STICK AROUND?!
YOU SAY THAT NOW, BUT YOU'LL BE OFF TRAVELING AGAIN SOON.
AT LEAST I HOPE YOU WILL LIKE SOON...
HA HA HA HA HA. YOU'RE PROBABLY RIGHT!!
DING DONG
HMM... WE HAVE A LOT OF VISITORS TODAY.
OH, NO...

ガチャッ
YE--
--S?!
OH MY. HELLO, TASUKE. ♡
YEAH, YOU TOO.
ペコリ!
AND YOU MUST BE HIS SISTER. IT'S SO NICE TO MEET YOU!
I'M "KEIKO RUAN."
TASUKE'S HOME-ROOM TEACHER.

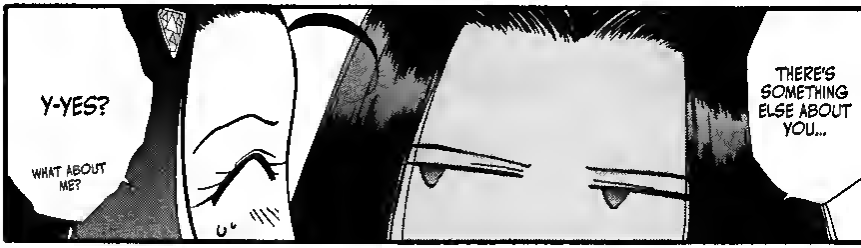
OH? IS IT THAT DAY WHEN TEACHERS ARE SUPPOSED TO COME FOR A CONFERENCE OR WHATEVER?
YES, THAT'S IT.
GOOD TIMING, USUALLY THERE'S NO ONE ELSE AT HOME.
WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, RUUAN?!
TASUKE, WHAT ARE YOU POUTING ABOUT? DON'T BE RUDE TO YOUR TEACHER.
IF I CAN GET HIS SISTER TO LIKE ME THEN SHE'LL SAY, "SHE'S SUCH A WONDERFUL WOMAN. I DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT ENTRUSTING TASUKE TO HER."
OH, THAT'S ALL RIGHT.
I'M SO SORRY.
GET THE FAMILY ON YOUR SIDE WHEN GETTING YOUR GUY.

I CAN'T WAIT TO HAVE MASTER TAA ALL TO MYSELF.
MY DREAM OF BEING ACCEPTED BY HIS FAMILY.
I'M SO HAPPY.
MASTER TASUKE...
WHAT SUBJECT DO YOU TEACH?
SUBJECT?
BY THE WAY, MISS ...
BUSTED. NOW WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?


WELL, I MEAN, SOCIAL STUDIES COVERS A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING!!
WHOOOOPS!
HE'S IN MIDDLE SCHOOL, RIGHT?
DON'T THEY HAVE DIFFERENT TEACHERS FOR EACH CLASS?
A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING.
EVERYTHING?
DID TASUKE TELL YOU I'VE BEEN TRAVELING IN EGYPT THIS YEAR?
OH, SOCIAL STUDIES.
YOU MEAN A KOMAINU?
HAHAHAHAHAHA!
AREN'T YOU JUST TOO CUTE?
I MEAN THE SPHINX! YOU KNOW WHAT A SPHINX IS?!
SERIOUS!!
YOU KNOW, THOSE GIANT CAT THINGS!
YOU KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT
I JUST LOVE THOSE THINGS THEY HAVE OVER THERE.
THOSE THINGS?


HOW COME A SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER DOESN'T KNOW WHAT A SPHINX IS?
EVERYONE KNOWS THAT
OH, NO, OF COURSE. I WAS JUST KIDDING!!

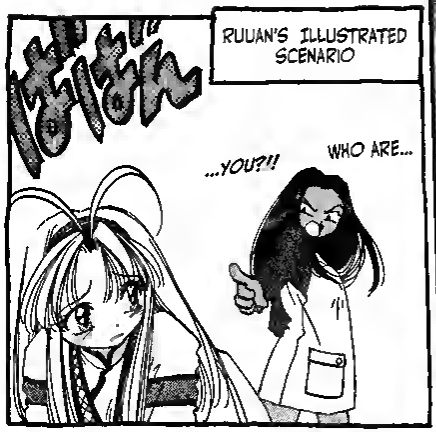
YOU DIDN'T REALLY NOT KNOW THAT...
YOU LOOK SO SERIOUS
HUH?

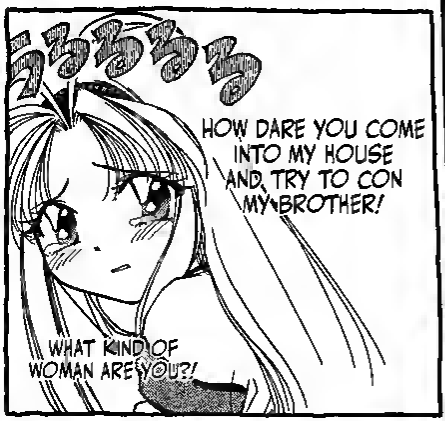

THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE ABOUT YOU...
Y-YES?
WHAT ABOUT ME?

SHE'S NO EASY ALLY!! IN THAT CASE...
IT'S TRUE; RUUAN'S OUTFIT IS PUSHING IT.

HEEEY!!
AREN'T YOU DRESSED KIND OF PROVOCATIVELY FOR A TEACHER?
HIT A NERVE.

TASUKE!!
Y-YES!!
CHANGE OF PLANS!!
HMPH.
WHY DON'T YOU SHOW ME YOUR ROOM?!
EEEEEK...
A TEACHER SHOULD SEE HOW HER STUDENTS STUDY.
B-B-B-B-B-BUT SHAO'S IN THERE!
I CALL THIS...!!
SO THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT


RUUAN'S ILLUSTRATED SCENARIO
WHO ARE...
...YOU?!!


HOW DARE YOU COME INTO MY HOUSE AND TRY TO CON MY BROTHER!
WHAT KIND OF WOMAN ARE YOU?!

WAAH!
GET OUT! MISS RUUAN IS PERFECT FOR TASUKE!

"OPERATION: TURN MASTER TAA'S SISTER AGAINST SHAORIN SO THAT SHE WILL GET KICKED OUT FOR GOOD!" COMMENCE!!

AND THEN...
...I WILL BE WELCOMED INTO HIS FAMILY!!
ARE YOU SERIOUS?!
WELL THEN, BIG SIS, WHY DON'T YOU ACCOMPANY US TO TASUKE'S ROOM?
YES, LET'S. WE'LL SEE IF HE'S ACTUALLY BEEN STUDYING.
WA--
WA-WA-WA-WAIT A MINUTE!!
IT'S TOO MESSY FOR ME TO SHOW MY TEACHER!
DANG IT, RUUAN!
WHY IS SHE DOING THIS?!
SHAO!!

SHÄO.
.....
I GUESS IT'S SO COZY IN HERE SHE FELL ASLEEP
...UH.

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ドキ
ドキ
.....
HER...
HER DRESS IS...!!
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WHAT IS MY HAND DOING?!
STOP IT! THIS ISN'T THE TIME FOR THAT!
WHERE CAN I HIDE HER?!!

.....
YES...?
MAS...
TER...
TA...
SUKE.
OH, SHE'S TALKING IN HER SLEEP.
COME TO THINK OF IT...

...THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE EVER...
.....
...SEEN SHAO'S FACE WHILE SHE'S SLEEPING.

ERIK!
MASTER TAA'S TAKING A LONG TIME. SHALL WE GO SEE WHAT HE'S UP TO?
MASTER TAA?
OH!
GAH! WHAT AM I DOING? SHE'S SO CUTE IT'S DISTRACTING!!
QUICK, I NEED TO DO SOMETHING.
W-W-W-WHAT'LL I DO?
WHAT'LL I DO? WHAT'LL I DO?!!

OH DEAR.
TASUKE.
I'M COMING IN.
I'M SO STU--
ACK! WHY AM I HIDING TOO?!
?
OH, SORRY...
MAST...

...IN THE CLOSET WITH SHAO LIKE THIS, THEN...!!
IF THEY FIND ME...
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OH?
THIS ISN'T GOOD.
IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S HIDING IN HERE FOR SOME REASON.

CHAPTER 17
HIDE YOURSELF, SHUGOGETTEN (PART TWO)

TASUKE!
I FOUND YOU!
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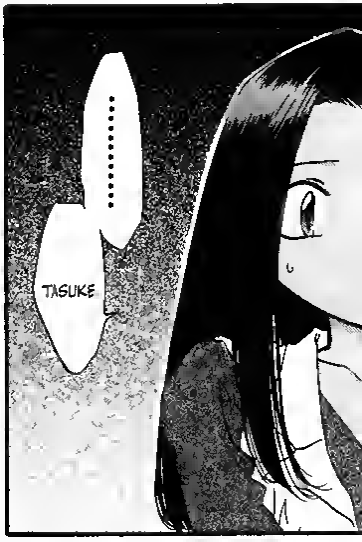
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
WHY ARE YOU IN THE CLOSET BY YOURSELF?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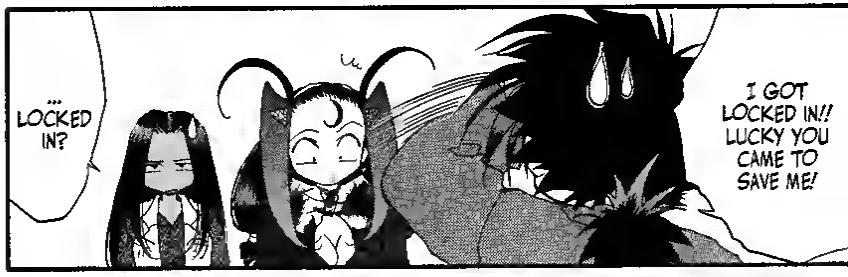
TASUKE


I GOT LOCKED IN!! LUCKY YOU CAME TO SAVE ME!
...LOCKED IN?

OH YEEAAH. HA HA, YOU'RE RIGHT. I FORGOT.
YOU'RE ACTING SO WEIRD.
HMPH. I FORGOT SHE COULD DO THAT.
UGH.

BUT... DOESN'T IT OPEN FROM THE INSIDE?
IT'S NOT LIKE IT'S A FRIDGE
THE DOORS SHUT ON ME WHILE I WAS CLEANING.
CLANG CLANG
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SO ANYWAY...
YOU WANTED TO SEE MY ROOM, RIGHT?
NO THANKS.
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF SHAORIN'S NOT HERE
WHAT?!
KNOCK YOURSELF OUT!!
LOOK UNDER THE BED IF YOU WANT?
YEAH, THAT'S ALL RIGHT.
LET'S GO BACK DOWN-STAIRS.
WHAT TO DO NEXT...?
WHAT DID YOU COME HERE TO TALK ABOUT, MISS RUIJAN?
I'M GOING TO CLEAN UP A BIT MORE. I'LL BE RIGHT DOWN.
SIGH...
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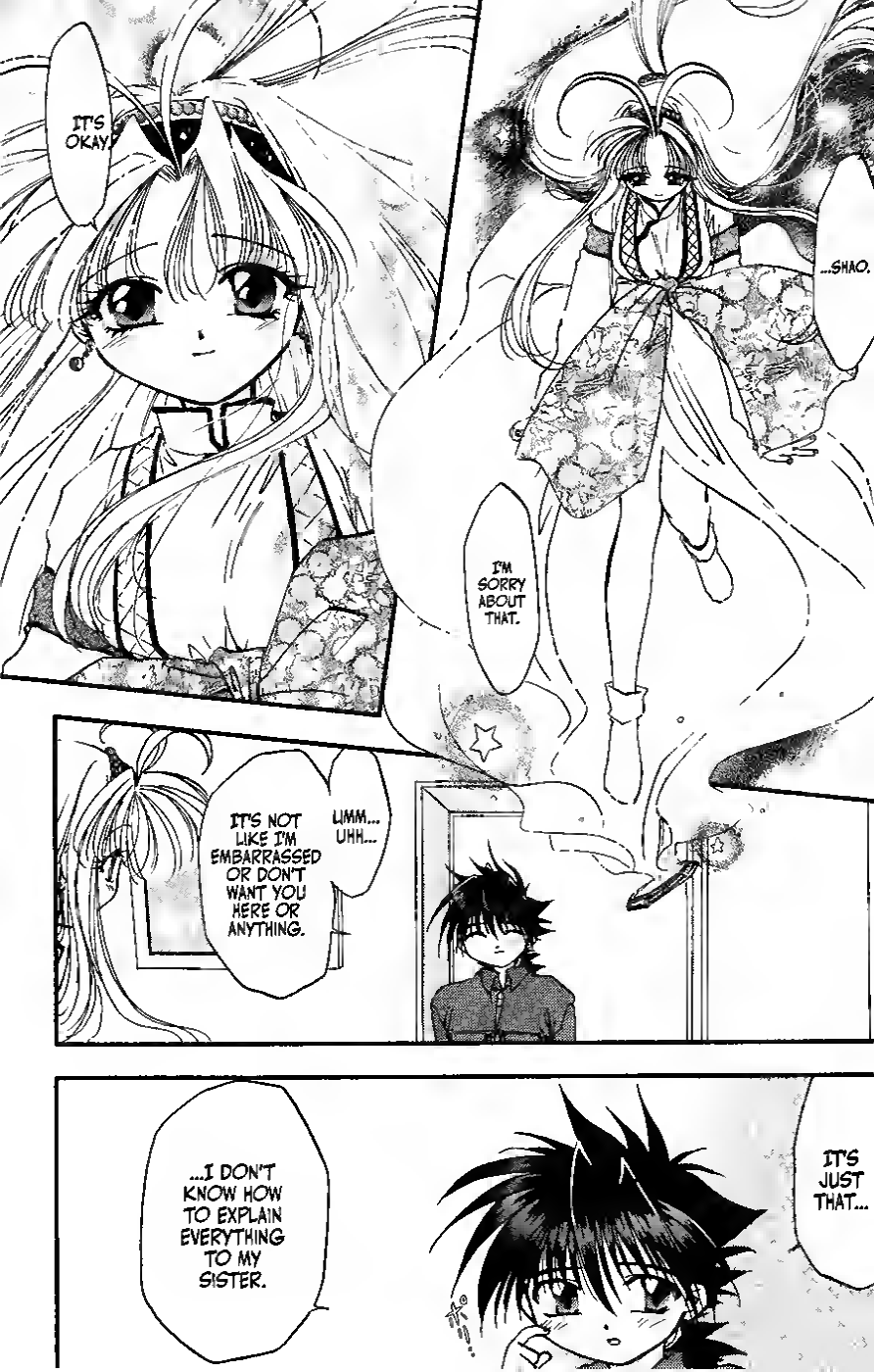
IT'S OKAY.
...SHAO.
I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT.
UMM... UHH...
IT'S NOT LIKE I'M EMBARRASSED OR DON'T WANT YOU HERE OR ANYTHING.
IT'S JUST THAT...
...I DON'T KNOW HOW TO EXPLAIN EVERYTHING TO MY SISTER.

IT'S JUST THAT...
IT'S OKAY, MASTER TASUKE...
...PLEASE DO WHAT YOU HAVE TO.
WHAT IS IT?
... NEVER MIND.
IT'S NOTHING.
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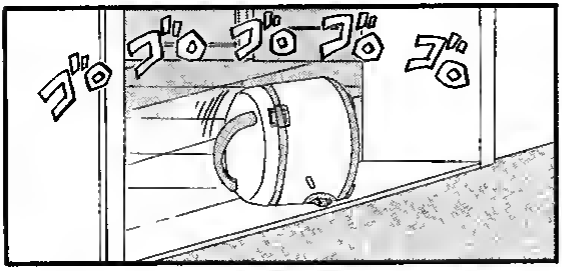
WELL, HA HA. I JUST GOT CAUGHT UP CLEANING.
YOU SURE TOOK YOUR TIME UP THERE, TASUKE.
WHAT TO DO...?
WHY DO YOU NEED TO CLEAN IT NOW?
YOUR TEACHER'S DONE LOOKING AT IT
OH...

HRM?



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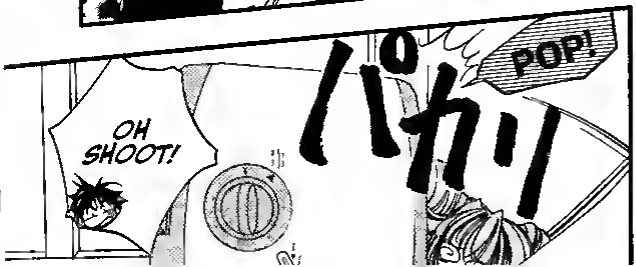
POP!
OH SHOOT!

RISHU CAN'T COME OUT NOW!!
JUST STAY HERE!!
SORRY, RISHU!!
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A LITTLE WHILE AGO...
THIS IS BAD. THIS IS BAD. THIS IS BAD!!
UMM, TEA LEAVES
QUICK! THINK OF A GOOD COVER.
WHAT WILL I SAY TO NANA?
WELL, SEE, THE SCREW'S LOOSE ON THIS RICE COOKER SO IT ROLLS AROUND A LOT!!
DIDN'T I JUST SEE SOMETHING INSIDE IT?
HUH?
I'M GONG TO REPLACE YOU IF YOU DON'T QUIT!
COME ON! DON'T START ACTING UP AGAIN!!
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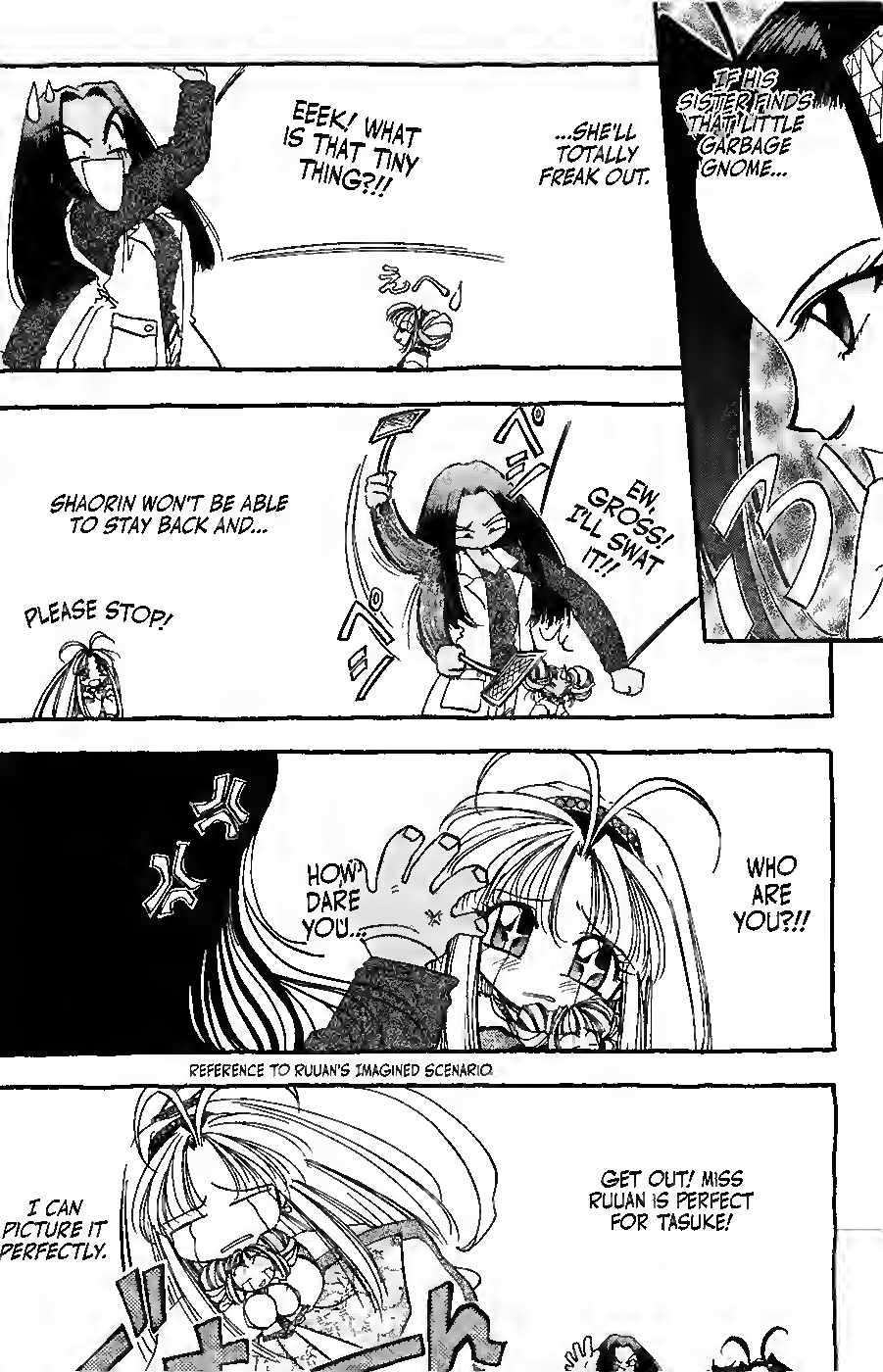
...RISHU.
Jo。
IT'S NOTHING. DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!!
AH HA.
SOME-THING IS BOTHERING ME ABOUT ALL THIS.
HMM. I SEE.
HE'S HIDING SOMETHING IN THERE.
MAYBE IT'S RISHU


EEEK! WHAT IS THAT TINY THING?!!
...SHE'LL TOTALLY FREAK OUT.
IF HIS SISTER FINDS THAT LITTLE GARBAGE GNOME...
SHAORIN WON'T BE ABLE TO STAY BACK AND...
EW, GROSS! I'LL SWAT IT!!
PLEASE STOP!
HOW DARE YOU...
WHO ARE YOU?!!
REFERENCE TO RUUAN'S IMAGINED SCENARIO
I CAN PICTURE IT PERFECTLY.
GET OUT! MISS RUUAN IS PERFECT FOR TASUKE!

HAA!
I WIN, SHAORIN! YOU'RE GOING DOWN!!
HA HA HA!
AND THEN...
MASTER TAA...
WILL. BE. MINE. ♡
OH, RIGHT, THE TEA
HERE SIS, LET ME POUR YOU SOME TEA!
HEE HEE...
HEH HEH HEH HEH ...
HA HA! THE TEA'S PRETTY GOOD, HUH, SIS?

...SHOURAI!!
YOUTENSHIN...
FLASH
!!
WH-WHAT'S GOING ON?!
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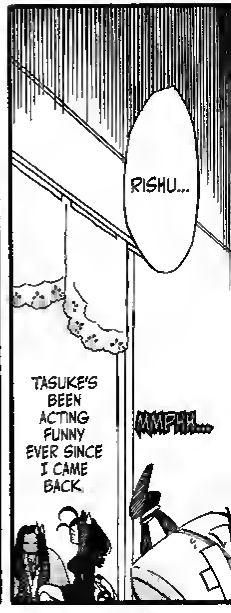
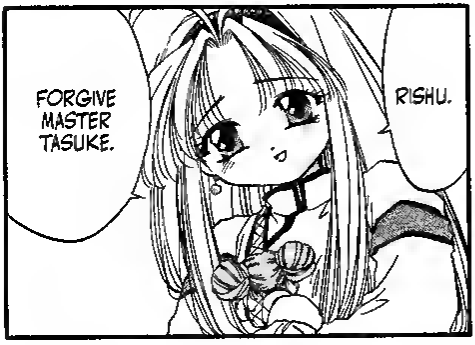
...YOU DIDN'T!!
RUUAN...

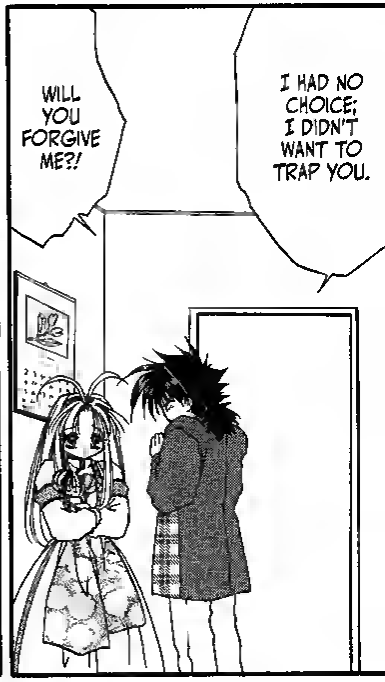
TA DA
WHA--?!
WHAT THE--?!
HUH?!
TASUKE, WHAT IS THAT?
THE RICE COOKER HAD ARMS AND LEGS
HEY!!
THE LID...
OKAY, MR. RICE COOKER, EXPEL THAT GARBAGE GNOME.
HEE HEE HEE.
IT'S JUST YOUR IMAGINATION.
SO RUUAN'S TRYING TO KICK RISHU OUT OF HERE!

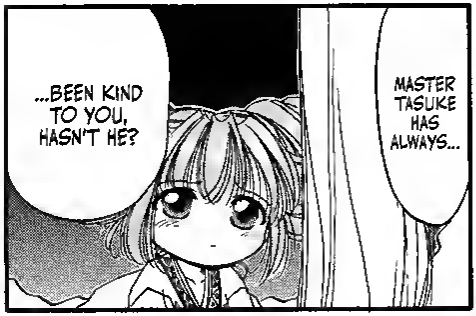
NNNNNGH!
HUH?!!
...TASUKE?
I WON'T LET YOU!!
H-HEY TASUKE?!
IT'S TOO STRONG!
OH, MASTER TAA, YOU DO TRY SO HARD, DON'T YOU?
I WOULDN'T EXPECT ANY LESS FROM MY MASTER
SPEECHLESS
YEEEAH.
I'LL JUST... GO PUT THIS IN THE KITCHEN!!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, TASUKE?
JUST A LITTLE MORE!!
HMPH!
NGH!!

RISHU.
I'M SO SORRY!
YOU STUFFED ME IN THE RICE COOKER
I LIKE YOU DON'T WANT ME AROUND!
I'M SORRY!!


RISHU...
TASUKE'S BEEN ACTING FUNNY EVER SINCE I CAME BACK.
MMPH...


RISHU.
FORGIVE MASTER TASUKE.


I HAD NO CHOICE; I DIDN'T WANT TO TRAP YOU.
WILL YOU FORGIVE ME?!


MASTER TASUKE HAS ALWAYS...
...BEEN KIND TO YOU, HASN'T HE?

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WHAT'S TASUKE DOING IN THERE?
SHALL WE GO LOOK?!
BIG SIS!!
I GUESS, I CAN'T HELP IT!..
RISHU ...
S-SORRY, RISHU!!
YOU'RE GOING TO PUSH ME ASIDE AGAIN. HMPH!
PLEASE GO BACK TO THE SHITENRIN!!
RELIEVED
.....!!
IT'S NOT THAT I'M RELIEVED!!

OW!
SHAO, I'M REALLY SORRY, BUT CAN YOU HIDE IN THE SHITENRIN AGAIN?
SERIOUSLY, TASUKE! WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU DOING?!
YOU'RE BEING SO RUDE
OH, SORRY!!
ALL I DO IS APOLOGIZE
.....?!

TASUKE?

YOU'RE LIVING WITH THAT GIRL?!
NOW SHE'S GONNA THINK...
SHE FOUND US!!
BLINDED BY BEAUTY...
BUBBLE BATHS...
...AND BEDROOM SCENES.
YOU'RE THE ONE THINKING ABOUT IT.
SHE'S GOING TO GET THE WRONG IDEA!!
DANG IT!!
N-N-NO, YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG!!
YOU MEAN YOU'VE BEEN LIVING LIKE THAT?

OH MY GOODNESS! HOW DISGUSTING !!
WHOA
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OH MY GOODNESS! HOW DISGUSTING !!
WHOA
OPPOR-TUNITY!
I CAN'T LOOK.
AND YOU'RE *MUCH* TOO YOUNG TO BE LIVING WITH SUCH AN UNSEEMLY GIRL!
TASUKE, YOU'RE TOO YOUNG TO BE BEHAVING LIKE THAT!!
STOP IT, RUUAN.

ARE YOU REALLY SO INTENT ON GETTING RID OF SHAO?
...RUUAN.
BIG SIS, YOU MUST THROW THIS TRAMP OUT!!
TEE HEE HEE
OOH, I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE!!
BYE, SHAO!
WHAT?!
WELL, IT'S NO BIG DEAL.

HAVE A NICE DAY.
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR STOPPING BY.
COMING ALL THIS WAY AND EVERYTHING.
HUH...?
WE'LL DISCUSS THIS PRIVATELY AS A FAMILY.
WHAT?
I'M SO SORRY, BUT I THINK WE'RE DONE WITH THE CONFERENCE.
HUUUH?
WHY AM I THE ONE GETTING KICKED OUT?
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PLEASED TO MEET YOU.
I'M SHAORIN.

UMM ...
I APOLOGIZE FOR ...
...BARGING INTO YOUR HOME LIKE THIS...
...WHILE THE FAMILY WAS AWAY.
THAT'S OKAY. IT DOESN'T BOTHER ME.
I CAN TELL YOU'RE AN HONEST GIRL.
BUT ...
...THERE'S SOMETHING ...
...I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU, MISS NANA.

WHY ...
...DID YOU LEAVE MASTER TASUKE ALL ALONE?
UMM...
MISS NANA.
YES?
MASTER TASUKE?
...SHAO.
HE...
...WAS SUFFERING FROM ...
...ISOLATION AND LONELINESS THE WHOLE TIME.

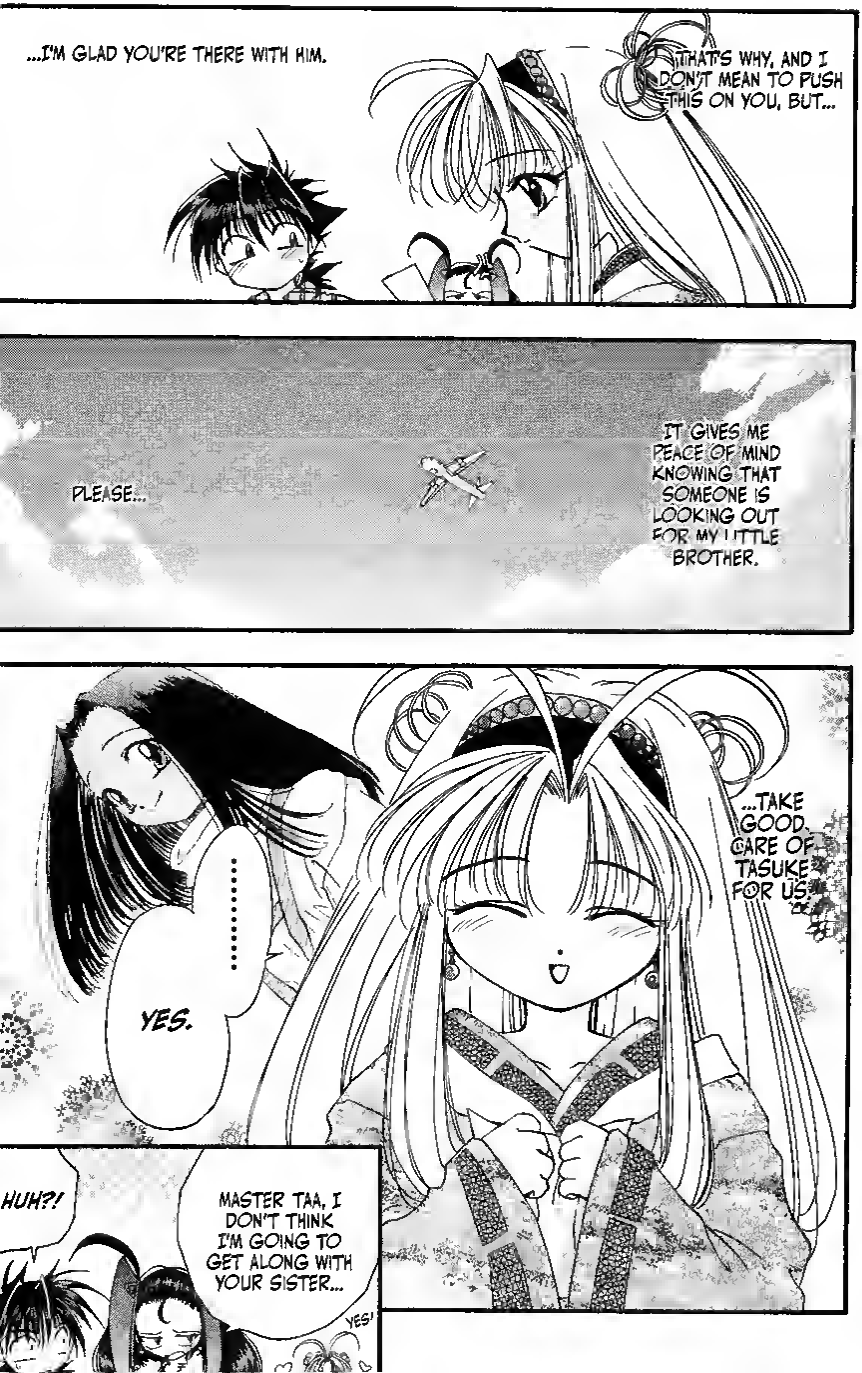
MISS NANA, DON'T YOU CARE...
..THAT YOUR BROTHER IS LONELY?
I HOPE ...
...I NEVER HAVE TO SEE...
...THAT SAD LOOK ON HIS FACE AGAIN.
.....

I DIDN'T...
...REALIZE HE FELT THAT WAY.
I SEE.
...I JUST THINK ABOUT MYSELF MOST OF THE TIME.
I GUESS ...
!!!
BUT THAT'S...

SHAO!
BUT...!
YOU'RE HIS FAMILY!!
... THANK YOU.
I APPRE-CIATE ...
...YOU STANDING UP FOR ME.
IT'S TRUE.
I WAS REALLY LONELY AT TIMES.

OTHERWISE I WOULDN'T HAVE MET THIS GIRL...
BUT NOW...
...I'M THANKFUL MY FAMILY'S THE WAY IT IS.
...WHO'S ALMOST AS IMPORTANT TO ME AS FAMILY.
...MASTER TASUKE.

HERE. IT'S FOR YOU.
FOR ME?
...
WHAT ABOUT MINE? WHERE'S RUJAN'S?
TO SHAO
THERE ISN'T ONE.
TSK!
AND THEN . .
THE FOLLOWING MORNING.
DEAR TASUKE,
GOOD MORNING! I THINK I'LL EXPLORE ALASKA OR SOMETHING THIS TIME. WELL, YOU KNOW HOW IT IS. SEE YA!
WHA--?!
DON'T TAKE THINGS TOO FAST KIDDO!! ♡
FROM NANA
WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT A CUUUTE ♡ GIRL LIKE YOU'D BE LIVING WITH TASUKE?!!
I WAS SURE SURPRISED!
DEAR SHAO:
ALL THIS TIME I NEVER EVEN THOUGHT THAT...
...TASUKE MIGHT BE LONELY
...I'M A BAD BIG SISTER.
I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT.

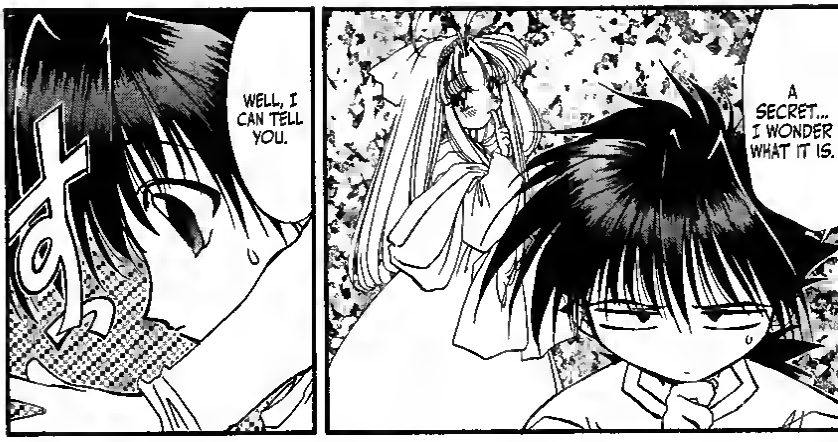

...I'M GLAD YOU'RE THERE WITH HIM.
THAT'S WHY, AND I DON'T MEAN TO PUSH THIS ON YOU, BUT...
PLEASE...
IT GIVES ME PEACE OF MIND KNOWING THAT SOMEONE IS LOOKING OUT FOR MY LITTLE BROTHER.
...TAKE GOOD CARE OF TASUKE FOR US.
YES.
HUH?!
MASTER TAA, I DON'T THINK I'M GOING TO GET ALONG WITH YOUR SISTER...
YES!

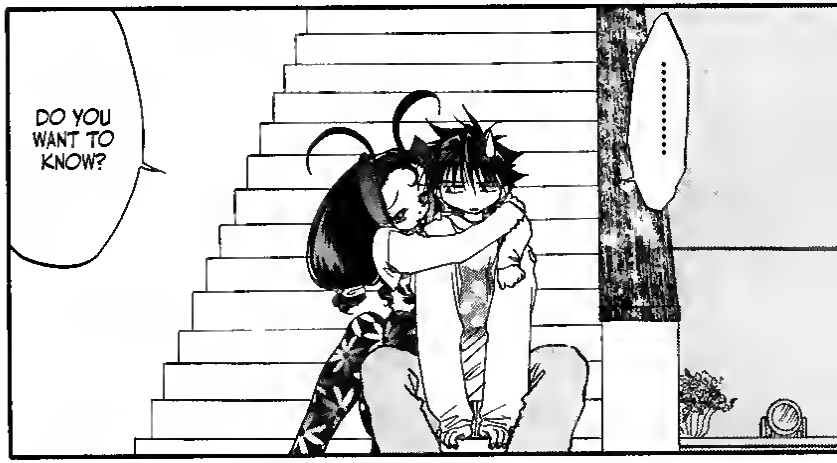
CHAPTER 18
A PRESENT FROM SHAO (PART ONE)

THE STARS ...
—HAVE ALREADY MADE A FULL ROTATION, HAVEN'T THEY?
.....
OKAY! I'VE MADE MY DECISION. ♡

WHAT'RE YOU DOING OUT HERE?
OH, SHAO!
LIMM... I'M...
MASTER TASUKE
WHAT?
OH!
.....?
IT'S A ...
... SECRET.

...I'D LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH EVERYONE.
THERE'S SOMETHING..
SHOP ROOM
OKAY.
YOU TOO, GUNNANMON.
SORRY, BUT YOU'RE TOO BIG TO COME OUT
...
MM.
IN TWO DAYS...
...IT WILL BE EXACTLY ONE YEAR SINCE WE CAME HERE TO BE WITH MASTER TASUKE.


WELL, I CAN TELL YOU.
A SECRET... I WONDER WHAT IT IS.


DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?
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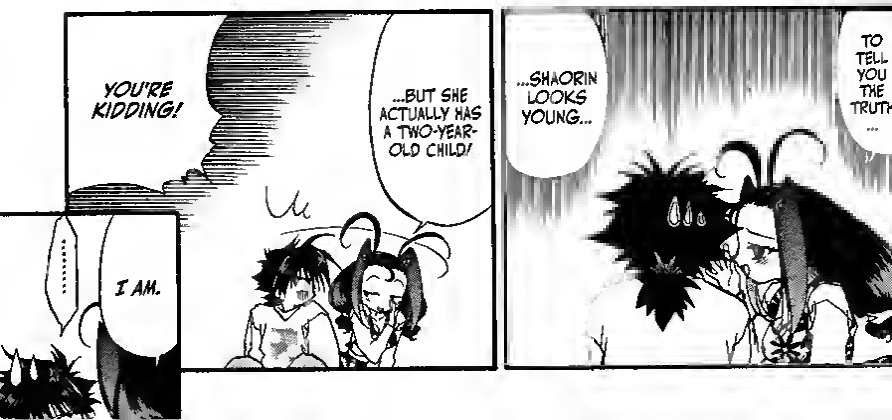
YOU'RE KIDDING!
...BUT SHE ACTUALLY HAS A TWO-YEAR-OLD CHILD!
I AM.
.....
...SHAORIN LOOKS YOUNG...
TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH ...

IF YOU GIVE ME A KISS...
...I CAN FIND OUT FOR YOU. ♡
RUUAN CAN'T HELP HERSELF.
I-I DO.
BUT I DON'T WANT TO KISS YOU.
WELL IF YOU DON'T WANT TO KNOW...
SHAORIN'S SECRET ♡
WHAAT?!
W-WAIT A MINUTE!
YOU CAN PAY ME LATER!
LET'S SEE HERE.

AND SO...
...I THINK WE SHOULD GIVE MASTER TASUKE...
...SOMETHING WONDERFUL TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE FOR OUR YEAR TOGETHER.
WHAT DO YOU ALL THINK WE SHOULD GIVE HIM?
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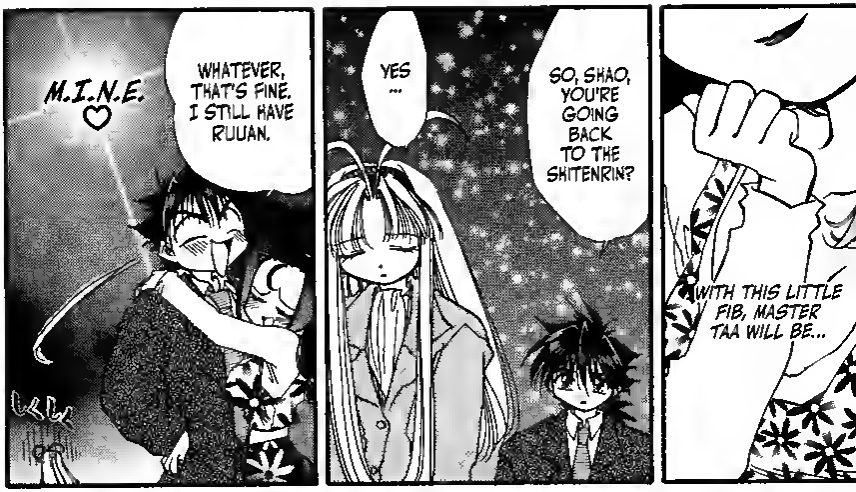
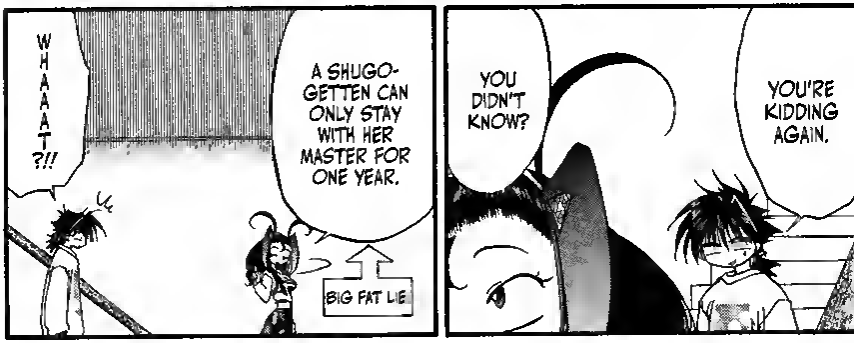
UUUMM.
NO IDEAS, HUH?
OOH.
SO THAT'S WHAT SHE'S UP TO.

...THAT'S NOT ANY FUN.
BUT...
...I HEARD SHAORIN SAYING ...
THE TRUTH IS...
ARE YOU READY?
...READY?
WHA... WHAT IS IT?!
MASTER TAA! MASTER TAA! I FOUND OUT. ♡
...THAT SHE IS RETURNING ...
...TO THE SHITENRIN.


M.I.N.E.
WHATEVER, THAT'S FINE. I STILL HAVE RUUAN.
YES ...
SO, SHAO, YOU'RE GOING BACK TO THE SHITENRIN?
WITH THIS LITTLE FIB, MASTER TAA WILL BE...


WHAAAAT?!!
A SHUGO-GETTEN CAN ONLY STAY WITH HER MASTER FOR ONE YEAR.
BIG FAT LIE
YOU DIDN'T KNOW?
YOU'RE KIDDING AGAIN.

THIS CAN'T BE TRUE.
YOU'RE KID-DING, RIGHT ?
THAT'S JUST THE WAY IT IS.
ONE YEAR, BUT THAT'S THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW.

TOMORROW, WE'LL SPLIT UP AND ASK A BUNCH OF PEOPLE WHAT THEY THINK.
IT'S TOO LATE TONIGHT
HMMM...
.....
IT LOOKS LIKE...
...WE'RE GOING TO NEED SOME HELP.
SHE CAN'T, SHE CAN'T... ARE YOU REALLY LEAVING, SHAO?
YEAH, COULD YA TELL US?
WHAT DOES A 14-YEAR-OLD BOY WANT?
WHAT?

MR TAKASHI
AND OF COURSE TO HAVE A CUTE GIRLFRIEND.
LIKE SHAO
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SUPER
SQUEEZE
THANKS. WE'LL KEEP THAT IN CONSIDERATION.
WAS THAT HELPFUL AT ALL?

WELL, OF COURSE IT'S TO BE RICH AND...!
...FAMOUS!!
OOOOH! HE'S SO WONDERFUL!
BRANDY BRANDY!
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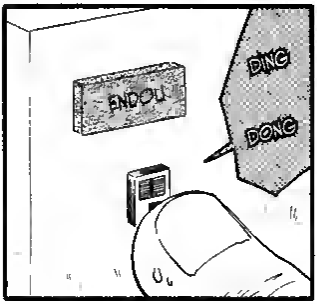
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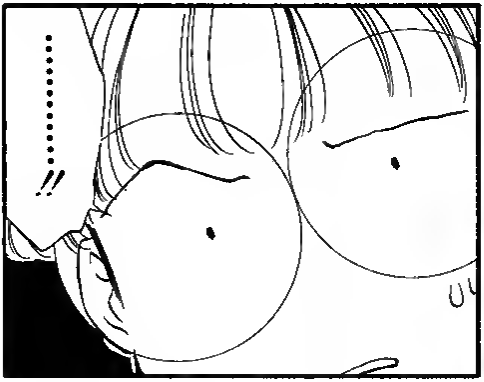
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HELLO!
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I HAVE ONE QUESTION.
AAAHH!!
ROWWW!
W-W-W-WHAT DO I WANT?
PLEASE ANSWER, WHAT DO YOU WANT THE MOST?
THOSE TRIANGLE THINGS
WYY?
T-THEN THOSE TRIANGLE THINGS ON MISS RUUAN'S HEAD.
I'D MAKE THEM INTO PROTECTIVE CHARMS
...THANK YOU.
WILL YOU GO AWAY IF I TELL YOU?
YES, I GO...

I'M SORRY.
COULD YOU PLEASE SHOW ME ONE MORE TIME?
.....
HMM. OKAY, SO...
SHAO...
...AND GRAFFITI
NO, NO, NO! IT'S MASTER TASUKE! LADY SHAO UNDERSTOOD!!

OH.
I GET IT.
SHAO...
...WITH GRAFFITI...
NOT EVEN CLOSE, YA BIG DUMMY.
WELL, NOT TO CHANGE THE SUBJECT, BUT...
...MY MOTHER MADE SOME YOMOGI MOCHI.
COULD YOU PLEASE TELL SHAO THAT WE'D LOVE IT IF SHE CAME OVER TO EAT WITH US?
I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE HER TO MY MOTHER.
I'M COUNTING ON YOU!!
ENOUGH ALREADY! I DON'T LIKE YOU!!

UMM... MISS SHOUKO.
I MISSED YOU, CUTIE. ♡
YOU'RE SO ADORABLE!
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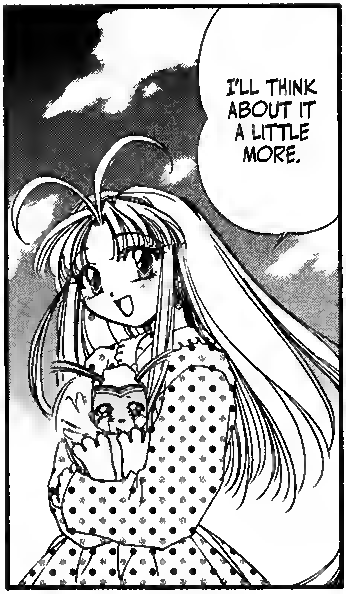
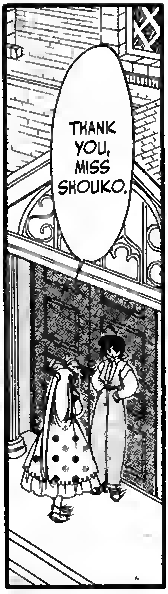
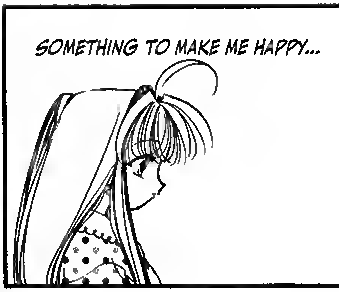
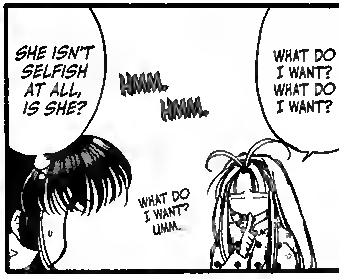
IT'S BEEN A CRAZY LONG TIME!
WOW, IT'S KOKA!!
HMM?
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO GIVE HIM.
AN ANNIVERSARY PRESENT FOR TASUKE, HUH?
OOH.

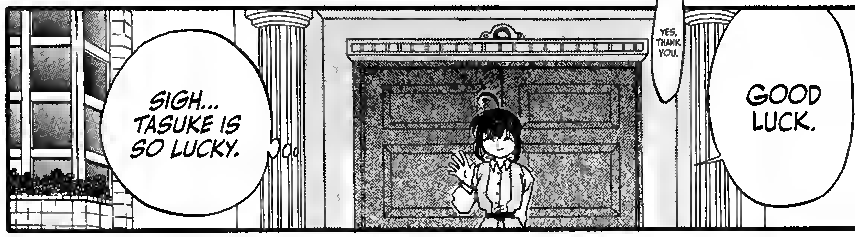
I'M YOURS.
...GIVE HIM YOURSELF.
WELL, OF COURSE...
...YOU COULD ALWAYS...
HOW ABOUT YOU, SHAO?
...
AS IF SHE'D DO THAT.
MAKE... ME HAPPY?
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE? WHAT WOULD MAKE YOU HAPPY?

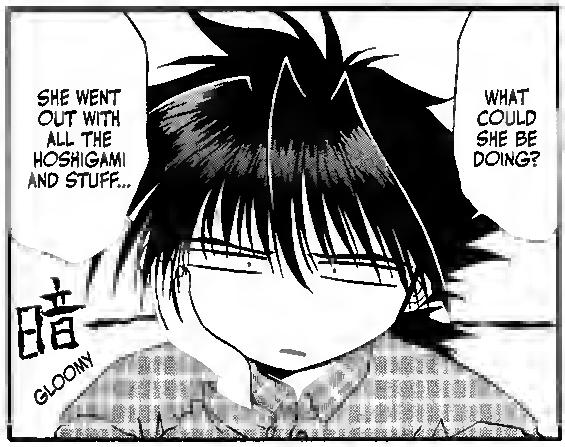

I'LL THINK ABOUT IT A LITTLE MORE.


THANK YOU, MISS SHOUKO.


SOMETHING TO MAKE ME HAPPY...


SHE ISN'T SELFISH AT ALL, IS SHE?
HMM. HMM.
WHAT DO I WANT? WHAT DO I WANT?
WHAT DO I WANT? UMM...


SIGH... TASUKE IS SO LUCKY.
YES, THANK YOU.
GOOD LUCK.


SHE WENT OUT WITH ALL THE HOSHIGAMI AND STUFF...
WHAT COULD SHE BE DOING?
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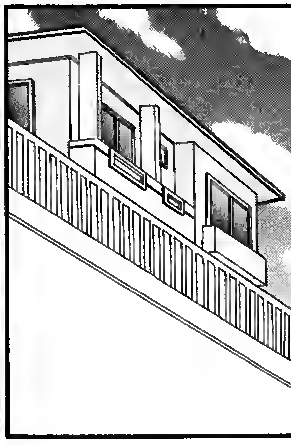
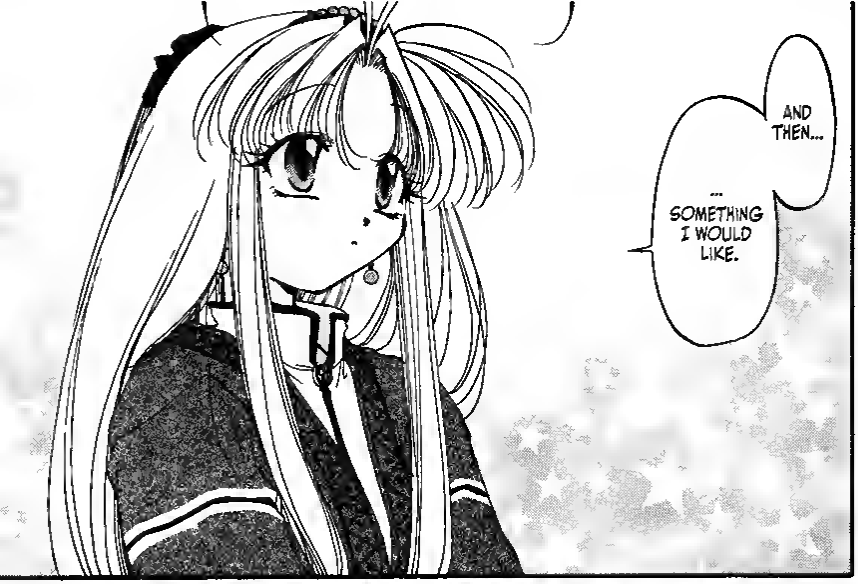
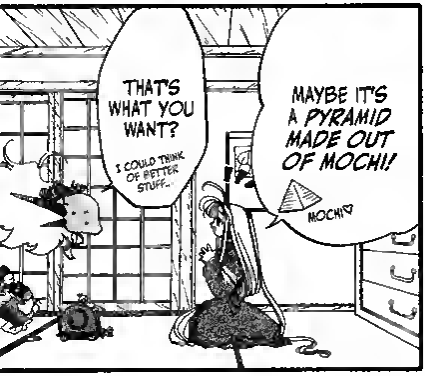
GLOOMY

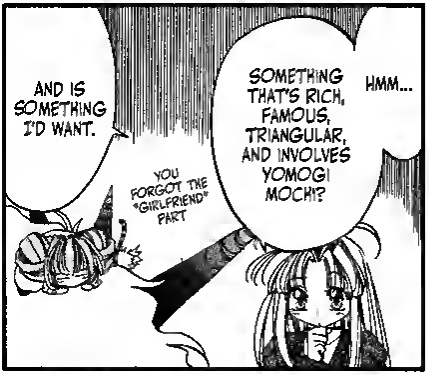


OH, GO KISS YOURSELF.
I'LL DO SOMETHING FOR YOU FOR TWO KISSES.
.....
I'M NOT IN THE MOOD, RUUAN...
LEAVE ME ALONE
DOES IT BOTHER YOU?
...SHE'S GONE IN SEARCH OF A NEW MASTER.
ACTUALLY ...
W-WHAT'D SHE DO?!
DON'T BE SILLY. BUT MAYBE I KNOW WHAT SHAORIN REALLY DID TODAY.

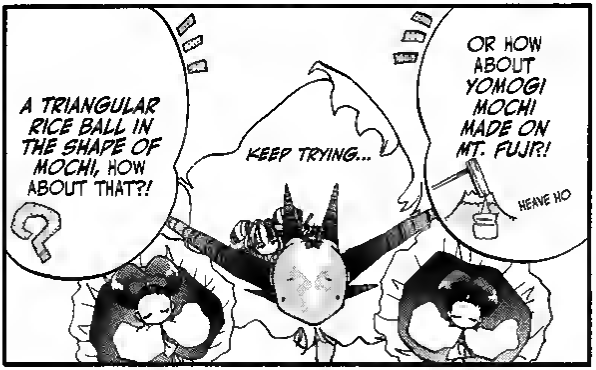
LET'S GO OVER THIS ONE MORE TIME.
THEN EVERY-ONE'S IN ON IT.
SHAO'S ROOM
...TO BE RICH AND FAMOUS, AND TO HAVE A CUTE GIRLFRIEND.
MR. TAKASHI WANTS...
...THOSE TRIANGLE THINGS ON MISS RUUAN'S HEAD.
MR KOICHI-ROU WANTS...
REALLY WHY?
...YOMOGI MOCHI, RIGHT?
YEAH, HE SAID SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
AND MR. IZUMO SAID...
...WOULD SHE?






AND IS SOMETHING I'D WANT.
YOU FORGOT THE "GIRLFRIEND" PART
SOMETHING THAT'S RICH, FAMOUS, TRIANGULAR, AND INVOLVES YOMOGI MOCHI?
HMM...

WHAT IN THE WORLD IS THAT?!



LADY GETTEN, WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT IS TO GIVE THE KID SOME-THING...
...HE WOULD LIKE.
FORGET EVERYONE ELSE.
BUT YOU ALL...
...WORKED SO HARD TO FIND ALL THIS OUT FOR ME.
OH OF COURSE.
I'M SURE YOU'RE RIGHT, KOHON. LET'S JUST USE ONE AS AN EXAMPLE.
I'M SORRY EVERYONE.
WHAT DO I WANT?
SO IT'S PROBABLY...
SO YOU'RE GOING OUT TO FIND A NEW MASTER TO REPLACE ME.
ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO LEAVE ME, SHAO?
IT'S LIKE THE WIND'S BEEN KNOCKED OUT OF ME.

WHAT WILL I DO? THIS IS THE WORST THING THAT COULD HAPPEN.
NNGH
THERE, THERE, DARLING.
EVEN AFTER SHE'S GONE, YOU'LL STILL HAVE ME.
THERE'S NO TIME LIMIT ON HOW LONG A KEIKOUNITTEN CAN SERVE HER MASTER.
I'LL BE WITH YOU FOR. EV.ER.

SIGH... THAT'S NICE.
I ONLY HAVE TWO MORE DAYS WITH HER...
MASTER TAA, ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?
.....
SO THAT'S IT, HUH?
HA... HA HA HA.
HA HA HA HA HA HA HA HA!!
MASTER TAA'S SNAPPED!
?!

THAT'S SO HARD...
HMM.
SIGH... WHAT DO I WANT?
I'D EVEN SPY ON HER IN THE BATH!!
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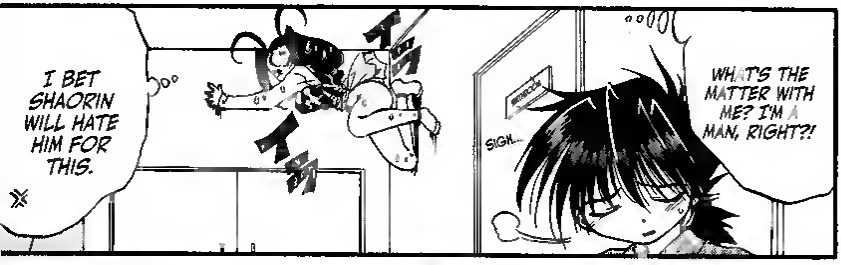
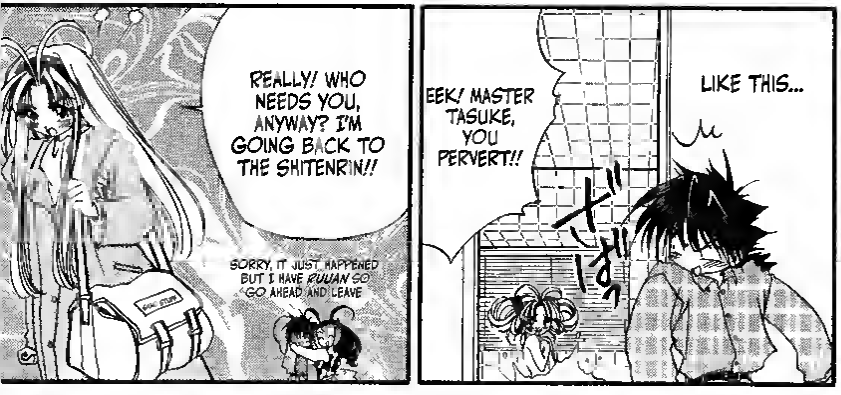
SINCE YOU ONLY HAVE A COUPLE DAYS LEFT, IF I WERE YOU, I'D DO EVERYTHING I WAS TOO AFRAID TO DO BEFORE!

SIGH...
そそそそそそそ
BATHROOM
BATHROOM
BATHROOM
BATHROOM
IF SHE ONLY HAD A YEAR ...
...THEN SHE SHOULD HAVE SAID SO IN THE FIRST PLACE.
IT IS NICE TO MEET YOU.
I AM THE SHUGO-GETTEN, SHAORIN.

OH, SHAO...
I DON'T THINK JUST ONE YEAR IS STAYING "BY HER MASTER'S SIDE TO PROTECT HIM LIKE THE MOON IN THE HEAVENS."
THAT IS WHAT IT MEANS.
...LIKE THE MOON IN THE HEAVENS."
ONE WHO IS LOYAL TO HER MASTER, WHO PROTECTS AND WATCHES OVER HIM.


I BET SHAORIN WILL HATE HIM FOR THIS.
SIGH...
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH ME? I'M A MAN, RIGHT?!


REALLY! WHO NEEDS YOU, ANYWAY? I'M GOING BACK TO THE SHITENRIN!!
SORRY, IT JUST HAPPENED BUT I HAVE RUIJIAN SO GO AHEAD AND LEAVE
EEK! MASTER TASUKE, YOU PERVERT!!
LIKE THIS...

TAKE THIS!
IF YOU CAN'T DO IT YOURSELF...
...THEN I'LL HAVE TO HELP YOU!
YOUTENSHIN ...
... SHOURAI!!

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WHAT?!
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TAKE IT AWAY, WASHING MACHINE. ♡
HMPH.
RUUAN, WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO ME?!!
AAAAAAAH.
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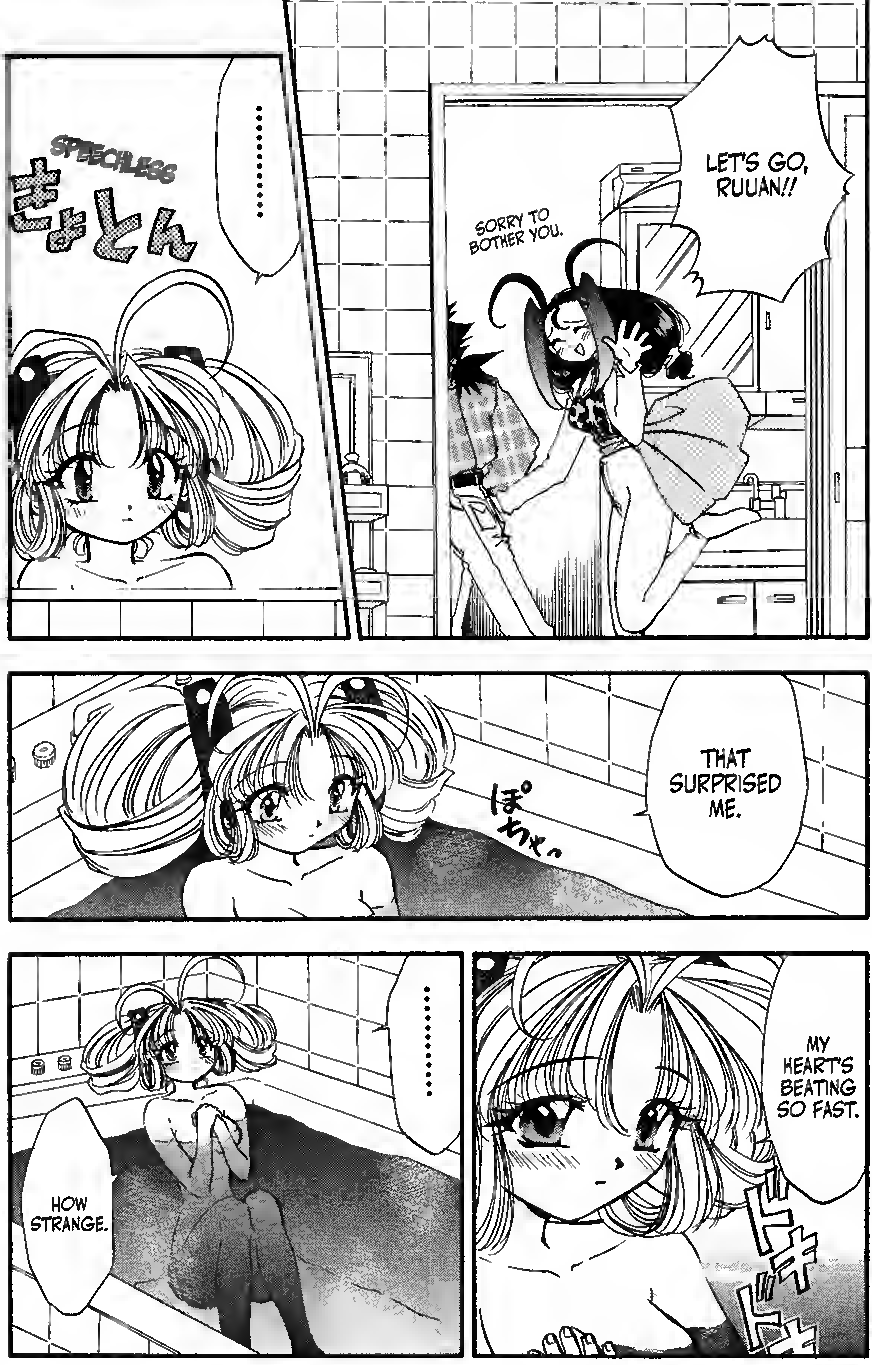
AAAH!!
HAVE FUUUN!
STOOOP!!
GASP! GASP!!

UH...
.....
...HI.

CHAPTER 19
A PRESENT FROM SHAO (PART TWO)

UH... UMM...
S-SORRY!
I...
I DIDN'T LOOK! I DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING!!


SPEECHLESS
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LET'S GO, RUUAN!!
SORRY TO BOTHER YOU.
THAT SURPRISED ME.
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HOW STRANGE.
MY HEART'S BEATING SO FAST.
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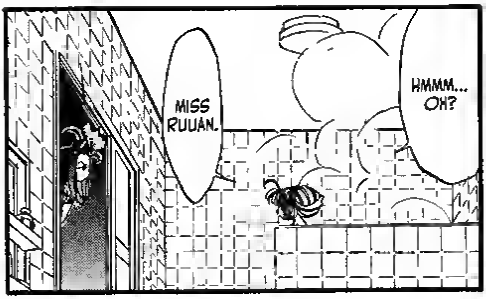
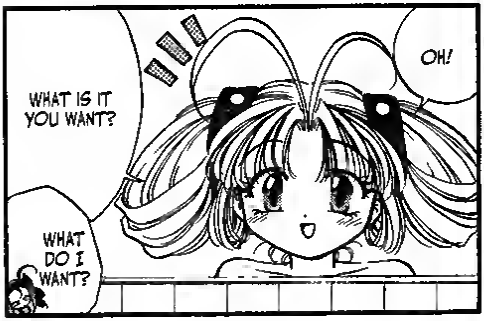
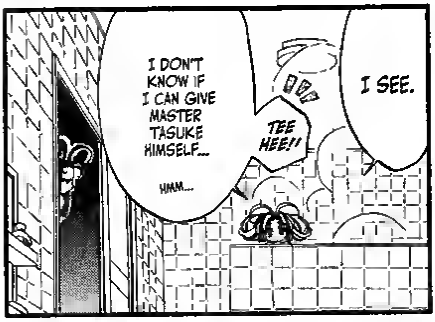
MASTER TASUKE, I HATE YOU!!
I'M NEVER SPEAKING TO YOU AGAIN!!
MAYBE SHE'LL BE SO OFFENDED SHE'LL GO AWAY FOREVER.
THEN I'LL HAVE YOU ALL TO MYSELF.
SIGH ...
SO GLOOMY!!
WORST CASE SCENARIO!!
I WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO SAY GOODBYE AFTER THIS!!
MASTER TA...
YOU'RE NOT LISTENING, ARE YOU?
T-THAT'S IT!
I'LL GO SEE WHAT SHAORIN'S UP TO. MAYBE SHE'S STEAMING MAD.

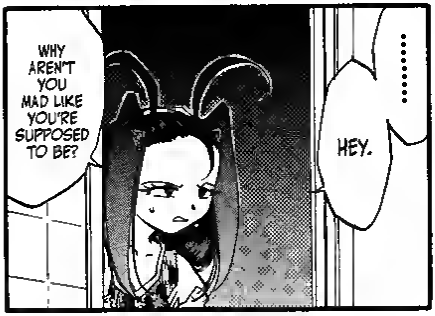

MISS RUUAN.
HMMM... OH?

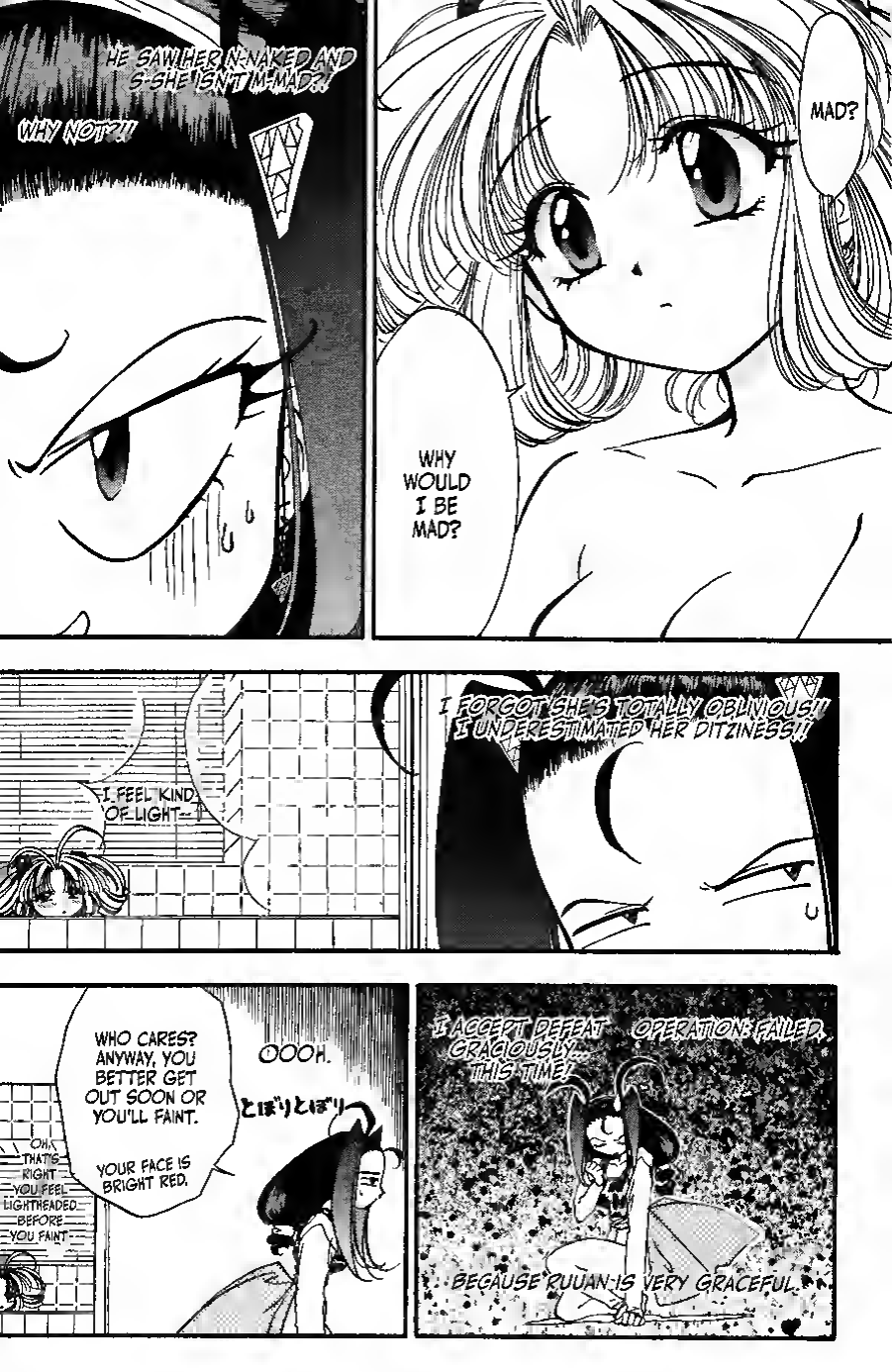
SOME-THING I WANT...


OH!
WHAT IS IT YOU WANT?
WHAT DO I WANT?


I SEE.
I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN GIVE MASTER TASUKE HIMSELF...
TEE HEE!!
HMM...

I WON'T LET YOU HAVE HIM.
MASTER TAA, OF COURSE.


HEY.
.....
WHY AREN'T YOU MAD LIKE YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE?


HE SAW HER N-NAKED AND S-SHE ISN'T M-MAD..!
WHY NOT?!!
MAD?
WHY WOULD I BE MAD?
I FORGOT SHE'S TOTALLY OBLIVIOUS!! I UNDERESTIMATED HER DITZINESS!!
I FEEL KIND OF LIGHT--!
WHO CARES? ANYWAY, YOU BETTER GET OUT SOON OR YOU'LL FAINT.
OOOH.
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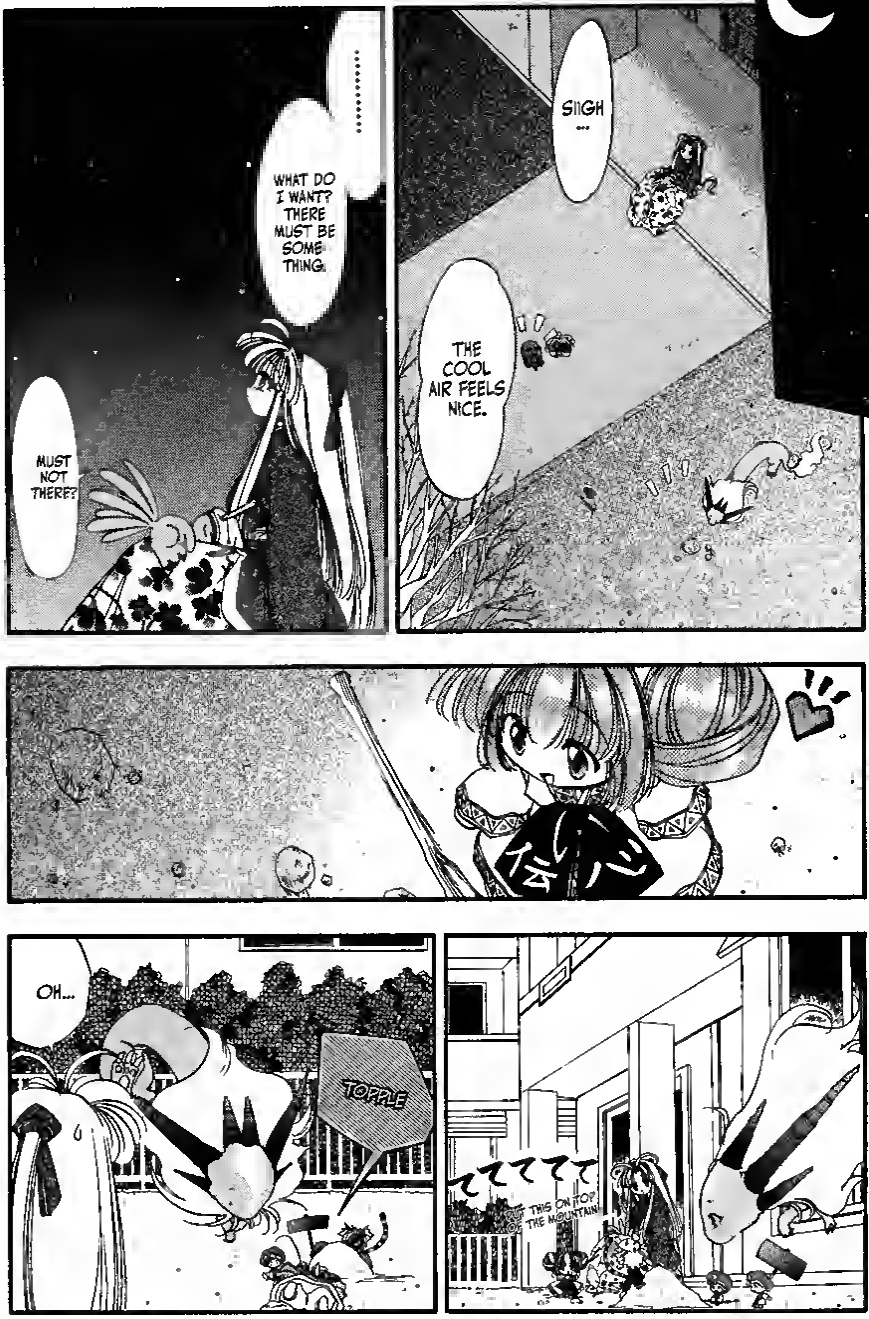
OH, THAT'S RIGHT YOU FEEL LIGHTHEADED BEFORE YOU FAINT.
YOUR FACE IS BRIGHT RED.
I ACCEPT DEFEAT GRACIOUSLY... THIS TIME!
OPERATION: FAILED.
BECAUSE RUUAN IS VERY GRACEFUL.


SIIGH...
THE COOL AIR FEELS NICE.
.....
WHAT DO I WANT? THERE MUST BE SOME THING.
MUST NOT THERE?
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OH...
TOPPLE
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THIS ON TOP THE MOUNTAIN

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, RISHU?
I TRIPPED. IT HURTS.
THE BACKYARD IS ROCKY AND ROUGH, ISN'T IT?
.....
AND IT'S KIND OF...
...BARREN.
MAYBE...
.....
I'VE DECIDED. ♡

SIGH...
HE'S DEPRESSED AGAIN
TIME TO HAVE SOME FUN.
'CUZ I'M DESPERATE.
...THE MOON, EH?
IT'S SO BRIGHT.
WHAT?
MASTER TAA, YOU KNOW SHAORIN'S PACKING?
?
AAAAAAAHHHHH!!
LEAVE ME ALONE ALREADY!!
.....
SNIFFLE..
LOOKS LIKE SHE'S FINALLY GOING HOME.
!!!
AT LEAST YOU FINALLY GOT TO SEE HER NAKED.
SO NO BIG LOSS...

SHAO.
YAMANOUE
HERE IT IS.
I HAD TO DIG AROUND IN MY PARENTS' STUFF BUT I FINALLY FOUND IT
THANK YOU, MISS SHOUKO.
A FLOWER GARDEN'S A GOOD IDEA.
OH... BUT...
DO YOU THINK ...
...MASTER TASUKE WILL LIKE IT?
...SHAO.

OKAY.
GO FOR IT, GIRL!
TASUKE'LL BE SO HAPPY, HE MIGHT JUST PASS OUT!!
IT'LL BE PERFECT.
WE HAVE TO FILL THIS YARD WITH FLOWERS BEFORE MORNING!!
NOW, EVERYONE!

YAY YAY
SIGH...
LET'S GO!!
SIIGH...
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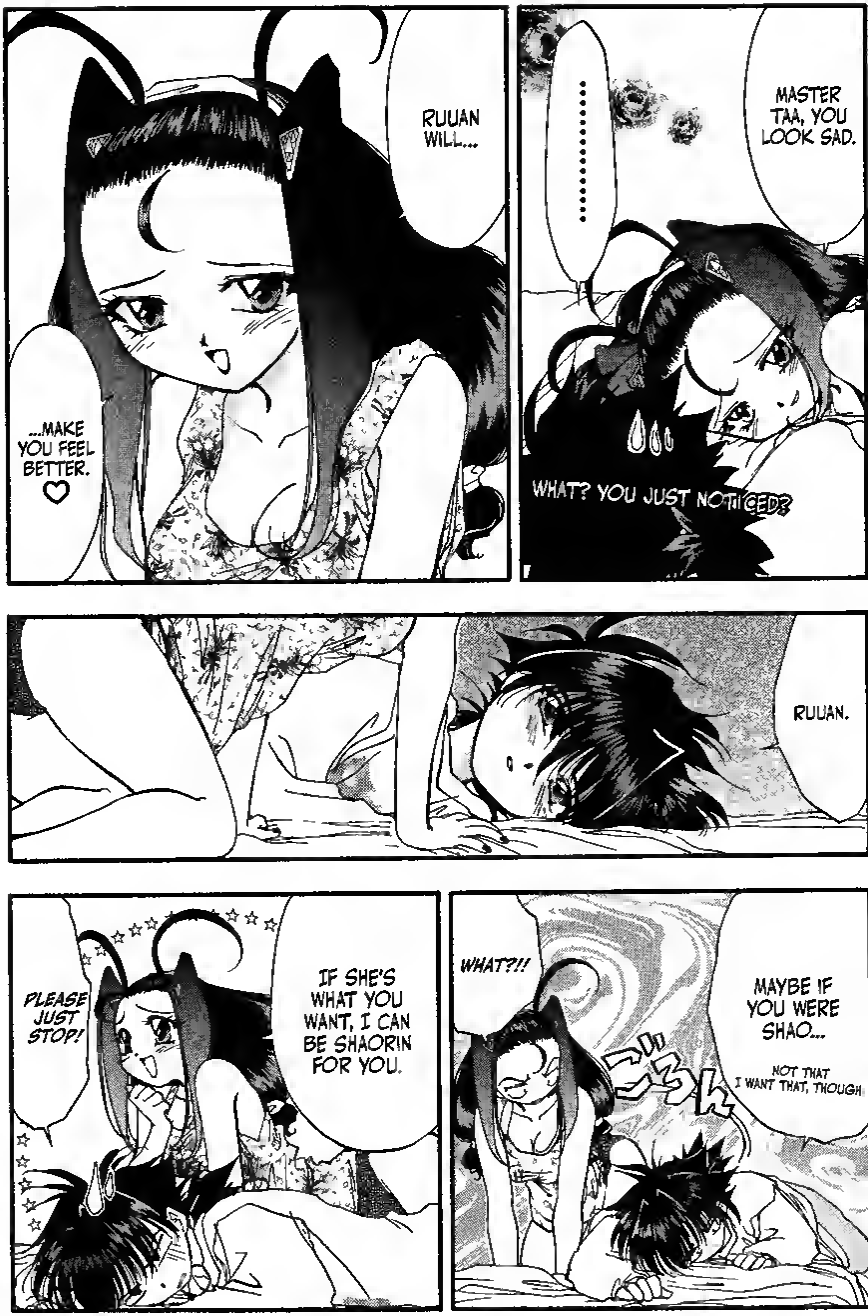
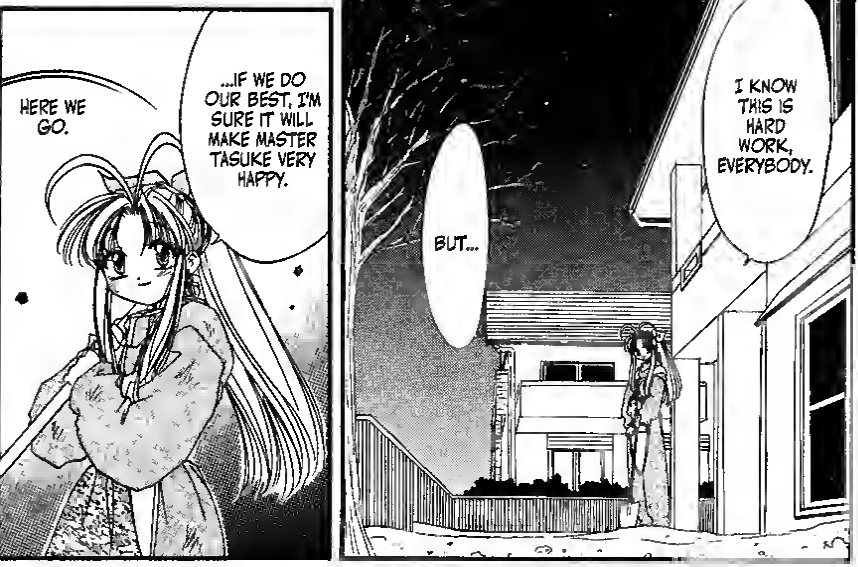
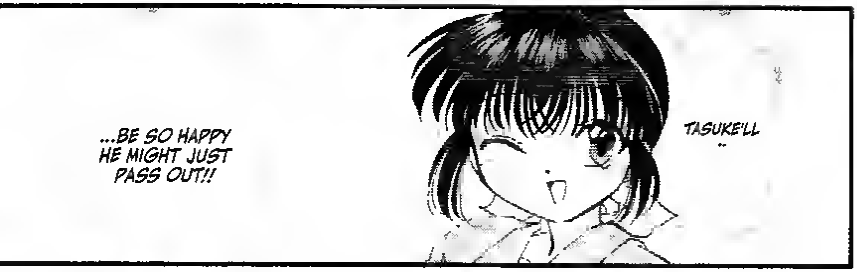
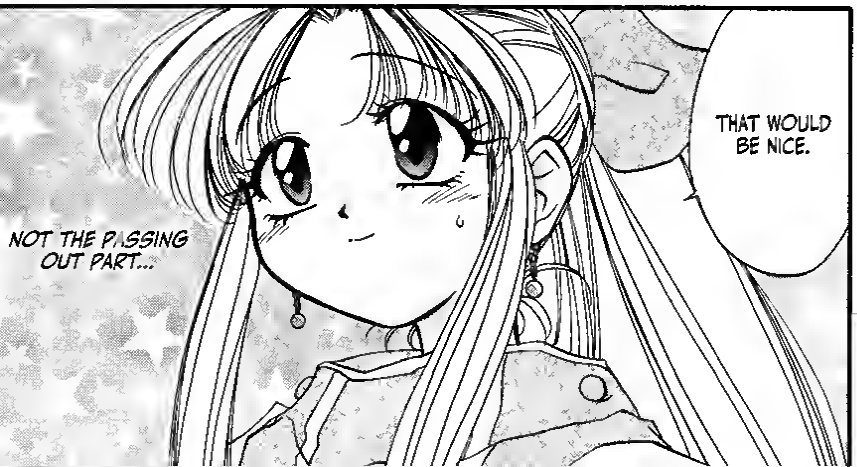

RUUAN WILL...
...MAKE YOU FEEL BETTER.
MASTER TAA, YOU LOOK SAD.
.....
WHAT? YOU JUST NOTICED?
RUUAN.
PLEASE JUST STOP!
IF SHE'S WHAT YOU WANT, I CAN BE SHAORIN FOR YOU.
WHAT?!!
MAYBE IF YOU WERE SHAO...
NOT THAT I WANT THAT, THOUGH.

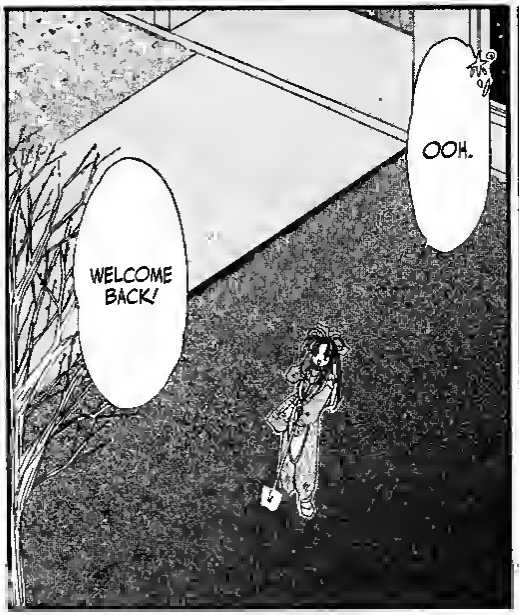
URP!
KOKA, THINK YOU CAN FIT SOME MORE?
FILL 'ER UP!!
OKAY!
.....

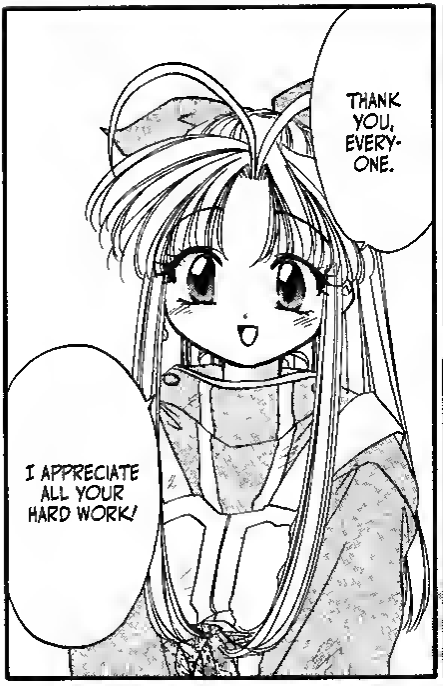
...FINALLY GOT ONE. JUST ONE.
I...
TOUCHING
NNGH.
.....
WHOA
WE CAN FIT A BUNCH MORE!
KENEN, THE FLOWERS ARE PRETTY OVER HERE.
WHEW...


HERE WE GO.
...IF WE DO OUR BEST, I'M SURE IT WILL MAKE MASTER TASUKE VERY HAPPY.
BUT...
I KNOW THIS IS HARD WORK, EVERYBODY.


...BE SO HAPPY HE MIGHT JUST PASS OUT!!
TASUKE'LL ..


NOT THE PASSING OUT PART...
THAT WOULD BE NICE.


OOH.
WELCOME BACK!


THANK YOU, EVERY-ONE.
I APPRECIATE ALL YOUR HARD WORK!

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I'M DISGRACED.
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A SHUGO-GETTEN OF ALL THINGS...
...PLAYING IN THE DIRT. HOW PATHETIC.
NOT THAT IT MATTERS TO ME...
OH DEAR!
WE HAVE TO PLANT THEM FAST!!
IT'S ALMOST MORNING!
OH DEAR. WHERE ARE YOU GOING, MASTER TAA?
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OOH, BUT SHAORIN MIGHT BE ASLEEP ALREADY.
I'M GOING TO APOLO-GIZE.

SHAO...?
HEY...

.....

YES?

.....
IS THAT YOU?

I-I WANTED TO SAY I'M SORRY.
UM, ABOUT EARLIER ...
YES.
IN SHAO'S VOICE
...PERVERT!
PERVERT
YOU...
MASTER TASUKE.
I DON'T CARE ABOUT YOU ANY MORE, MASTER TAA!
I HATE YOU!!
YOU'RE DESPI-CABLE!
DISGUST-ING.
SLEAZE-BALL.

OH...
OOPS
MASTER TAA?!
KENEN, JYOGYO.
I'LL LEAVE THE REST TO YOU!!
DONE!!
HA HA ...
RUUANNNN.
WHA- WHAT'S GOING ON?!!
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WHOA!
J-JUST A MINUTE!!
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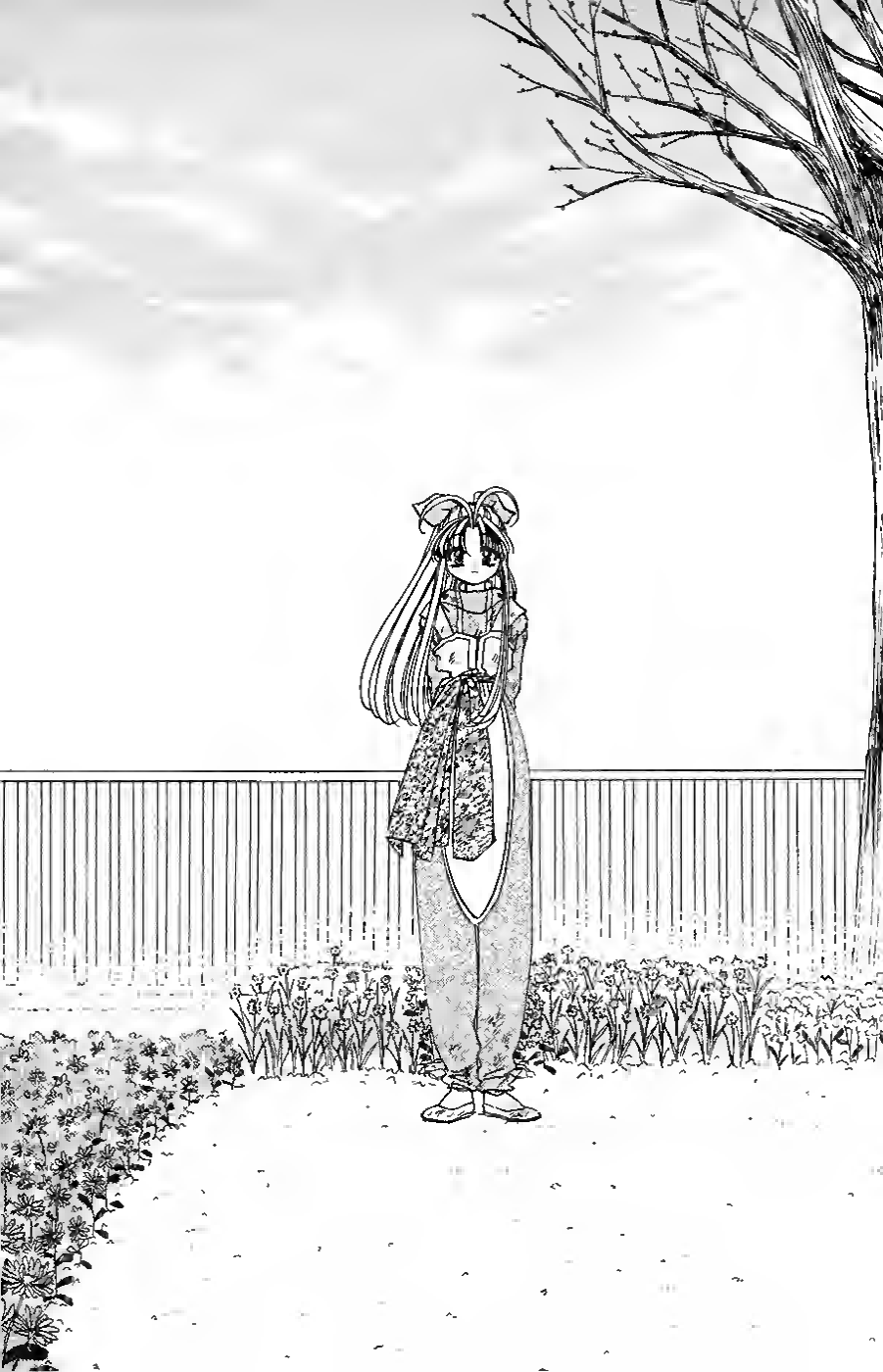
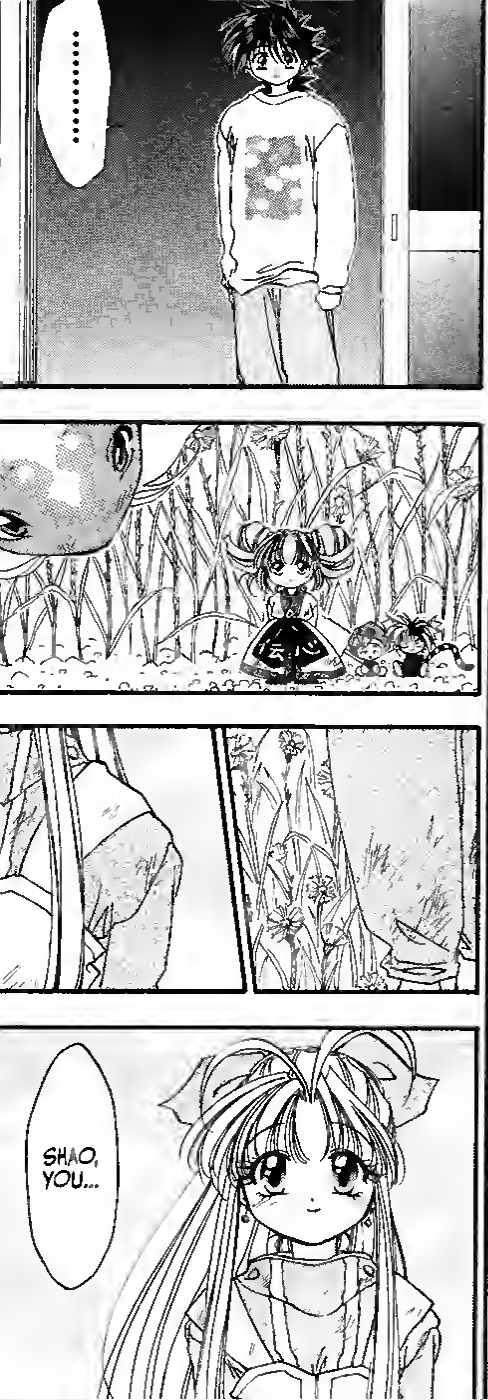
UGH... IT'S BLINDING.

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WOW
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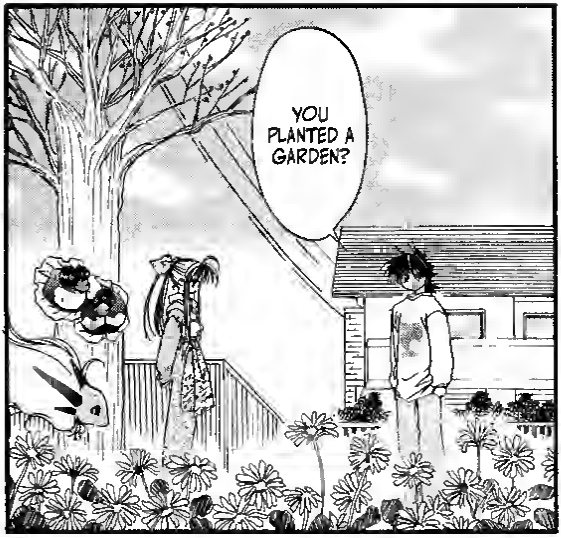
A FLOWER GARDEN?
SHAO, YOU...


YOU PLANTED A GARDEN?

YOU MADE THIS?

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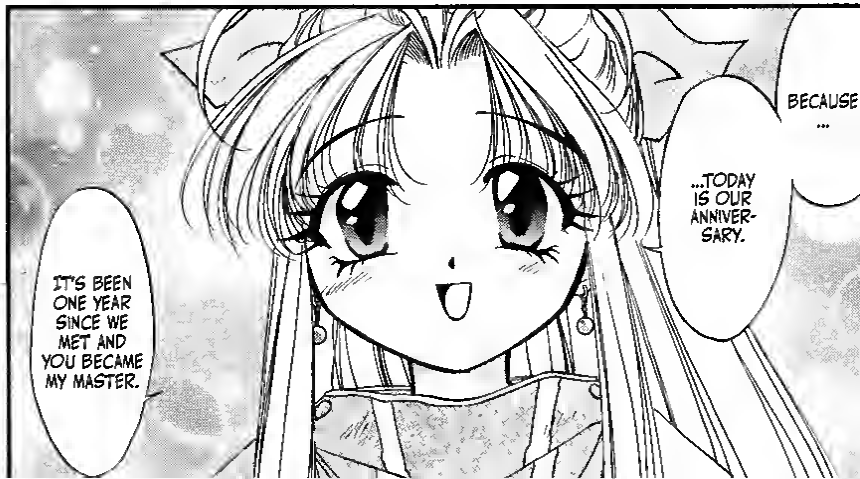
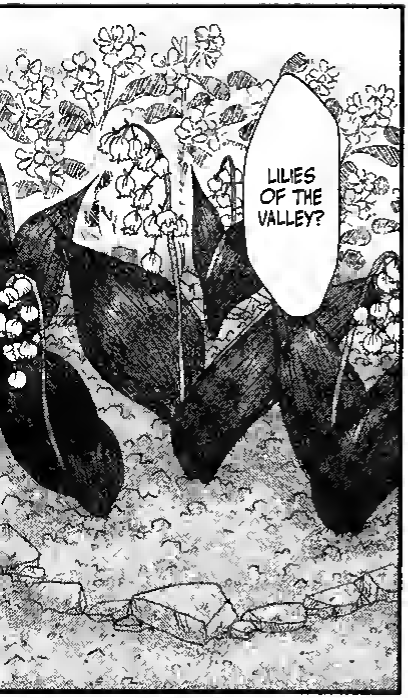
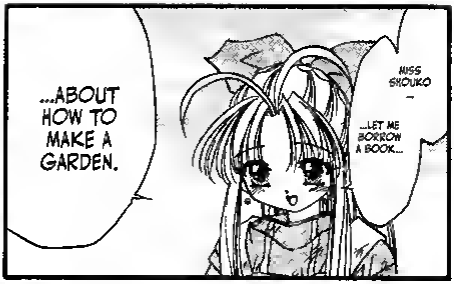
WE MADE IT TOGETHER.
THE HOSHI-GAMI AND I DID.


IT'S BEEN ONE YEAR SINCE WE MET AND YOU BECAME MY MASTER.
...TODAY IS OUR ANNIVER-SARY.
BECAUSE ...

...THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO TREAT US WELL FOR ANOTHER YEAR.

I WANTED TO MAKE UP FOR ALL THE TROUBLE I'VE CAUSED.
AND ALSO TO SAY I HOPE...


LILIES OF THE VALLEY?


...ABOUT HOW TO MAKE A GARDEN.
MISS SHOUKO —
...LET ME BORROW A BOOK...

YOU SEE THOSE FLOWERS?

THE BOOK SAID THAT LILIES OF THE VALLEY...
...REPRESENT THE WISH THAT HAPPINESS WILL COME YOUR WAY.
MASTER TASUKE ...
...THERE ISN'T A LOT THAT I CAN DO FOR YOU...
...AND I'VE CAUSED YOU SO MUCH TROUBLE.
IN SPITE OF THAT...
...I WANT...

...TO DO WHAT I CAN...
...TO PROTECT YOU AND MAKE YOU HAPPY.
THAT'S WHY, YOU KNOW...
UMM...
SIIGH...

SHAO.
I'M SO STUPID.
OOOH, MAN.
.....?
EH?
?
?
LOOK AT YOU, YOU'RE ALL COVERED IN DIRT.
YOU GUYS WORKED SO HARD ALL NIGHT.
WHAT THE HECK WAS I THINKING?

I KNOW I CAN BE REALLY STUPID SOMETIMES...
...BUT YOU HAVE BEEN SO KIND TO ME. I HOPE TO SPEND ANOTHER YEAR WITH YOU TOO...
...SHAO
T-THAT'S OKAY.
LIKE ME, FOR EXAMPLE.
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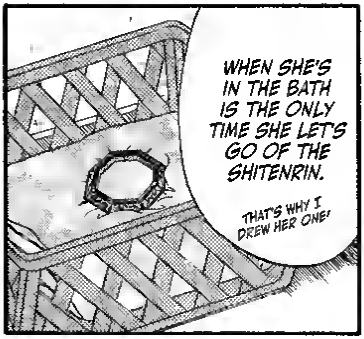
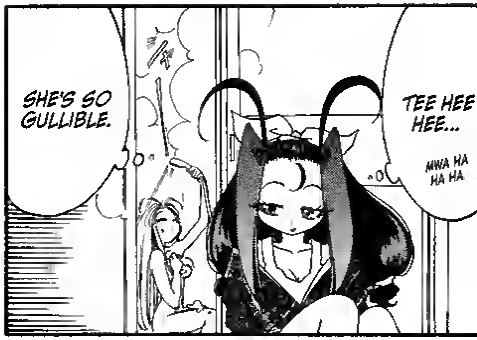
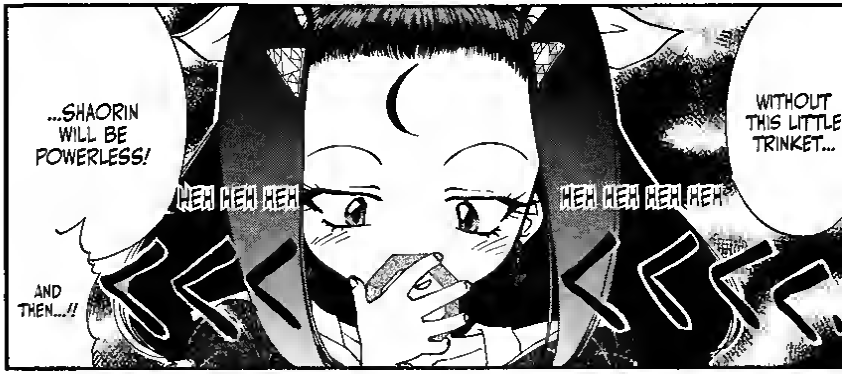
TEE HEE. ♡ RUUAN'LL GIVE YOU A BETTER ANNIVERSARY PRESENT!

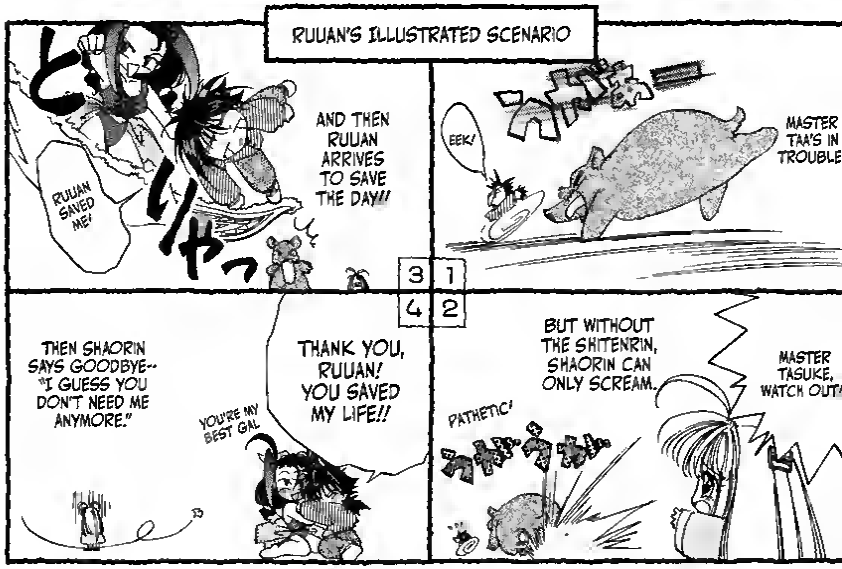
CHAPTER 20
RECOVER THE SHITENRIN (PART ONE)

GOOD MORNING EVERY-BODY!
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL DAY.
WHAT A TREAT.
I GET TO TAKE THE FIRST BATH.
YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY?
HEY, SHAORIN, I DREW A BATH IF YOU WANT TO TAKE ONE.
WHAT?
IT'S NOT THE TIME FOR BATHS.
OH, LIGHTEN UP. I DREW IT JUST FOR YOU, GO TAKE ONE!!
WELL, OKAY.


WHEN SHE'S IN THE BATH IS THE ONLY TIME SHE LET'S GO OF THE SHITENRIN.
THAT'S WHY I DREW HER ONE!


SHE'S SO GULLIBLE.
TEE HEE HEE...
MWA HA HA HA


...SHAORIN WILL BE POWERLESS!
HEH HEH HEH
AND THEN...!!
HEH HEH HEH HEH
WITHOUT THIS LITTLE TRINKET...


RUUAN'S ILLUSTRATED SCENARIO
RUUAN SAVED ME!
AND THEN RUUAN ARRIVES TO SAVE THE DAY!!
EEK!
MASTER TAA'S IN TROUBLE
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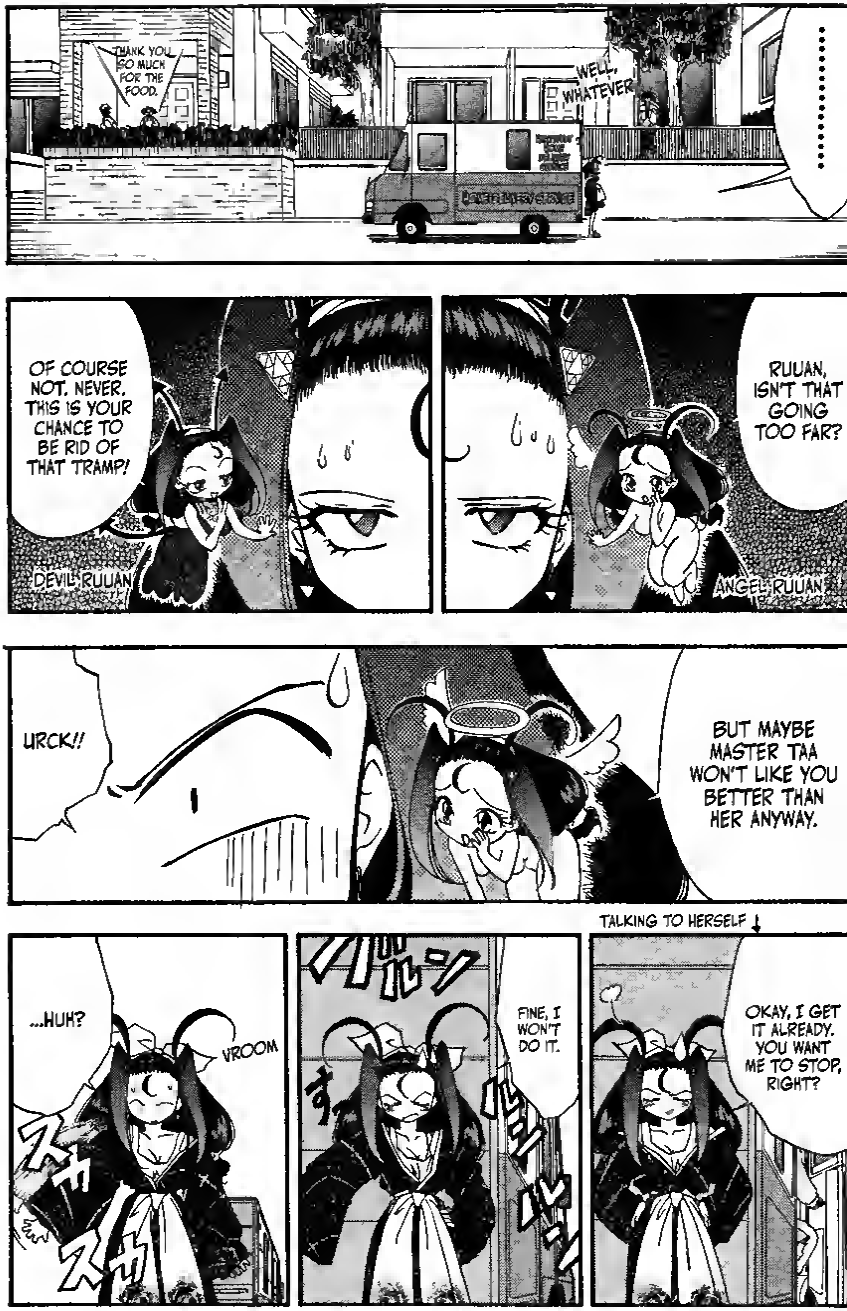
THEN SHAORIN SAYS GOODBYE-- "I GUESS YOU DON'T NEED ME ANYMORE."
YOU'RE MY BEST GAL
THANK YOU, RUUAN! YOU SAVED MY LIFE!!
BUT WITHOUT THE SHITENRIN, SHAORIN CAN ONLY SCREAM.
PATHETIC!
MASTER TASUKE, WATCH OUT!

...RUUAN.
OH!! MASTER TAK!
ノバラーン
OH!
HEARTFELT HOME DELIVERY SERVICE
HUH? NOT REALLY, NO..
WHAT'S UP? ARE YOU GOING SOME-WHERE?
NOOOW, WHERE TO HIDE IT?!
♫ PERFECT!!
HEARTFELT HOME DELIVERY SERVICE
HOME DELIVERY SERVICE
PLONK
...SHE'LL NEVER FIND IT!
HEE HEE HEE. IF I PUT IT ON THAT VAN, THEN...


THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE FOOD.
WELL, WHATEVER
.....
OF COURSE NOT. NEVER. THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO BE RID OF THAT TRAMP!
DEVIL RUUAN
RUUAN, ISN'T THAT GOING TOO FAR?
ANGEL RUUAN
URCK!!
BUT MAYBE MASTER TAA WON'T LIKE YOU BETTER THAN HER ANYWAY.
TALKING TO HERSELF
...HUH?
VROOM
FINE, I WON'T DO IT.
OKAY, I GET IT ALREADY. YOU WANT ME TO STOP, RIGHT?

MASTER TASUKE, IT'S HORRIBLE!!
THE SHITENRIN IS...
EEEE!
WHAT ARE YOU HEARING?
THE SHITENRIN IS GONE!!
GONE?!
I GOT OUT OF THE BATH AND IT WASN'T WHERE I LEFT IT.
IF I DON'T HAVE IT THEN...
WITH-OUT IT, I...

AFTER ALL...
DON'T BE SO SURE.
SHAO, CALM DOWN.
I'M SURE IT'S AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE.
.....
WHAAAAAAT?!!
IN THAT DELIVERY TRUCK THAT WAS HERE?
IT'S GONE
OH NO!
DANG IT!
BUT IF IT'S A DELIVERY TRUCK...
...THEN IT MIGHT STILL BE...
...SOMEWHERE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD!

I'LL GET IT BACK FOR YOU, SHAO.
DON'T WORRY, JUST WAIT HERE!
AND PUT SOME CLOTHES ON
WAIT A MINUTE!
HUH...?
A COMPACT?
TAKE IT WITH YOU.
YOU CAN CALL US WITH IT.

THANK YOU, RUUAN.
BUT NEXT TIME, THINK BEFORE YOU ACT!
I-IT IS KIND OF MY FAULT AFTER ALL.
CONSIDER IT MY WAY OF MAKING UP.
OKAY, I'M OFF!!
...BYE, MASTER TASUKE.

IF I'M LUCKY THE TRUCK WILL BE SOME-WHERE CLOSE.
MAYBE I WON'T HAVE TO RIDE VERY FAR.
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THERE IT IS!!
WHAT LUCK. ♡
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HEEEY!!
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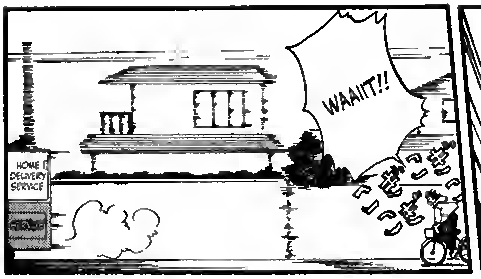
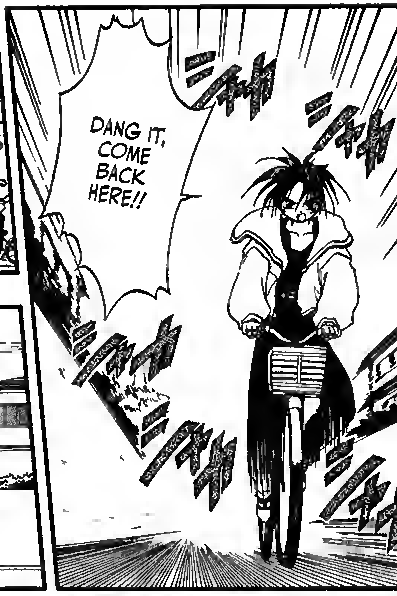
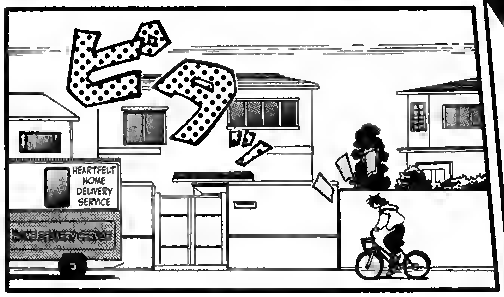
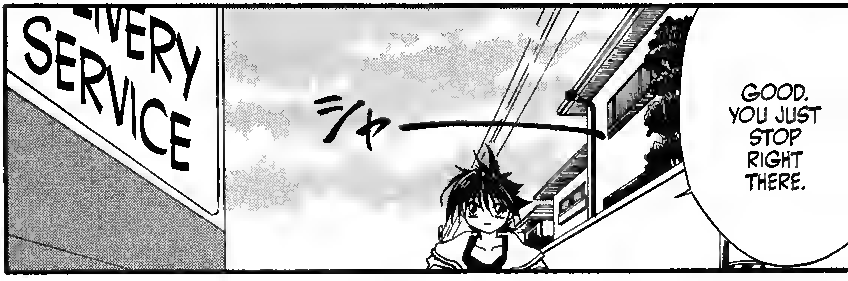

WAAIIT?!
HOME D DELIVERY SERVICE


DANG IT, COME BACK HERE!!


HEARTFELT HOME DELIVERY SERVICE


IVERY SERVICE
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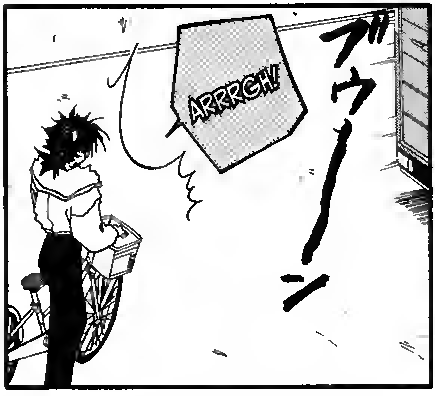
GOOD. YOU JUST STOP RIGHT THERE.


ARRGH!
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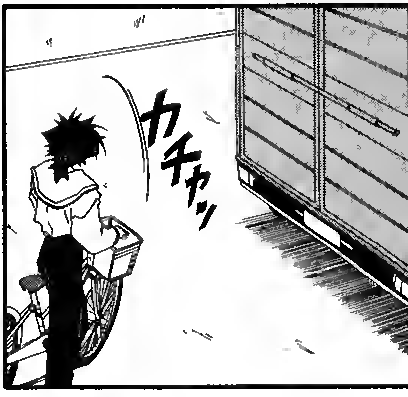
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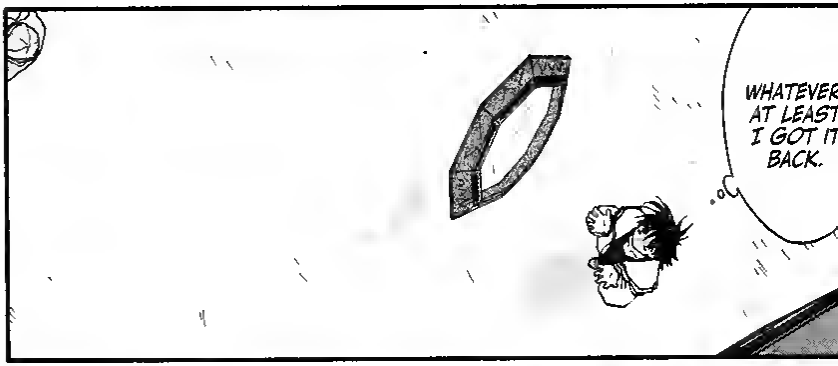
S...
SHOOT.
NEVER UNDER-ESTIMATE A LOCAL!!
IT LOOKS LIKE HE'S DELIVERING FROM EAST TO WEST!
I CAN CUT HIM OFF!

SHORT CUT A SUCCESS!
HA HA HA HA HAA !!
I-I-I-I WO-O-O-N!!

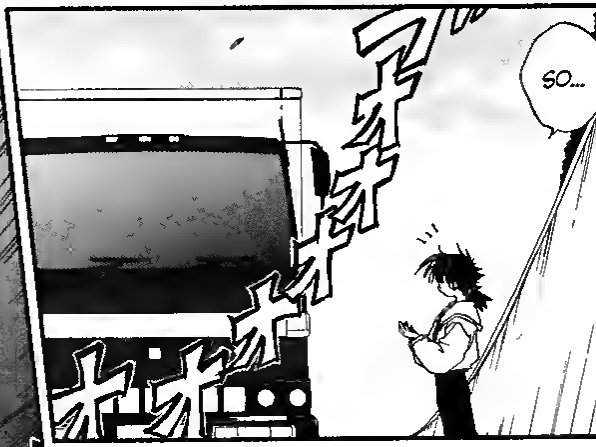
FINALLY, I'LL GET THE SHITENRIN B--
THIS... TIME...I'LL CATCH UP...FOR SURE!
HUH?!
WHAT? IT'S NOT HERE.
WHERE'D IT GO?
AH.
HUH? SOME-THING'S CAUGHT IN HERE.
THERE IT IS!
HE'S GOT IT!!

TRASH.
.....
* DON'T THROW IT

WHAT'S THIS?
E-EXCUSE ME, THAT...


WHATEVER AT LEAST I GOT IT BACK.

CLANG CLANG


SO...

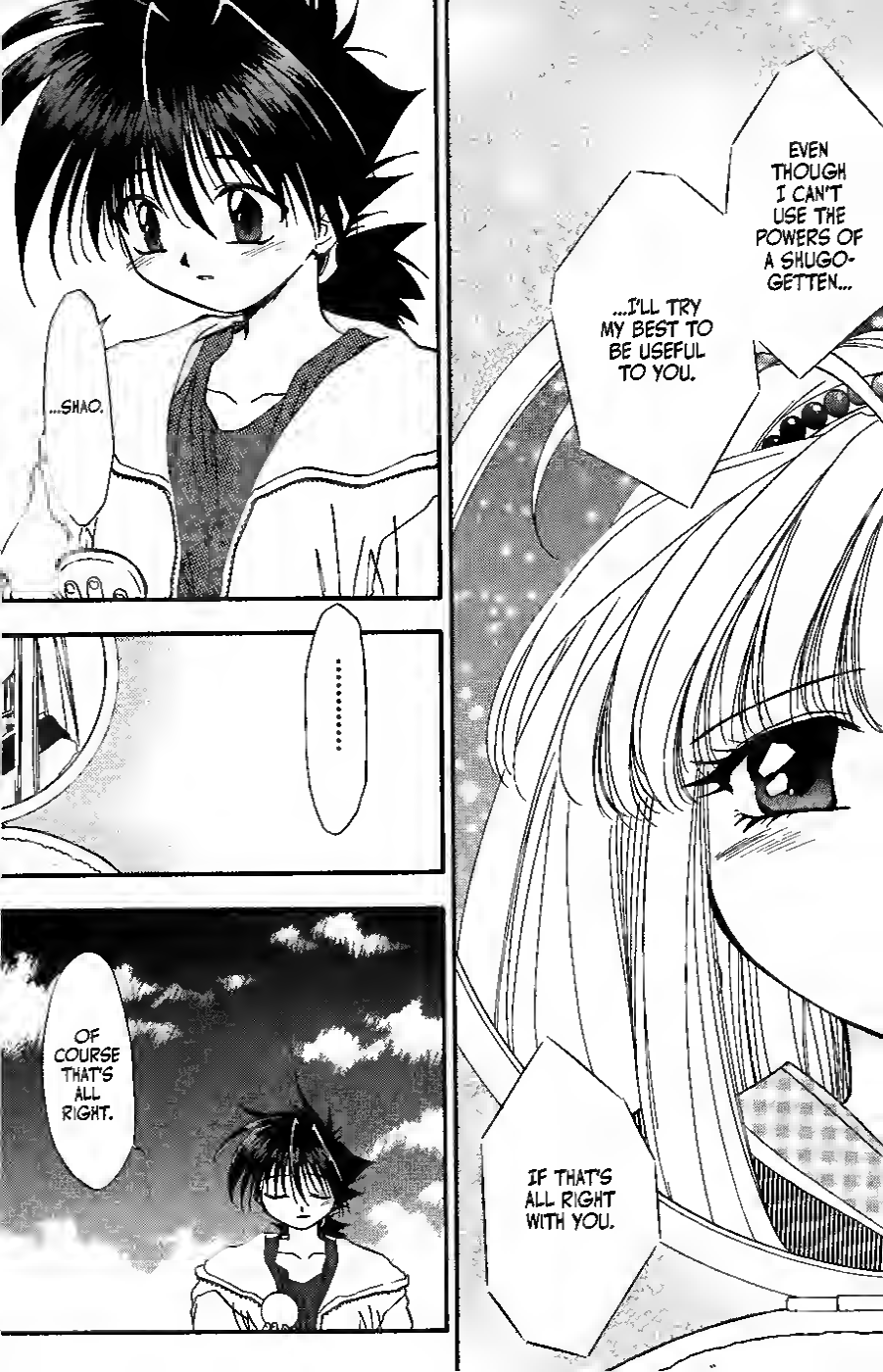
YOU...
...TOOK IT!!
THAT TRUCK...!
YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING!!
...LONG DISTANCE DELIVERY TRUCK!!
AND THAT'S...
TOKYO ⟷ AOMORI
FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION

THE SHITENNIN ...
.....
SIGH... SHAO...
BUT THERE'S NO WAY...
ヲロ。。
IF IT DOESN'T MAKE REGULAR STOPS LIKE A HOME DELIVERY TRUCK THEN...
...I'LL NEVER CATCH IT ON MY BIKE.
.....
WHAT SHOULD I DO?
OH!
YOU CAN CALL US WITH IT.

I DON'T NEED THE SHITENRIN TO PROTECT ME, I JUST NEED SHAO.
.....
...I FEEL THAT WAY...
...IF I TELL [illegible]...
HOPEFULLY...
STRONG
...THAT WE DON'T NEED THE SHITENRIN.
...SHE WILL UNDERSTAND.

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, MASTER TASUKE?!!
HAVE YOU BEEN HURT?!
ARE YOU LOST?!
HUH? YEAH, WELL, I'M FINE I GUESS...
SHE'S SO WORRIED ABOUT ME
SHAO.
I JUST WANTED TO SAY ...
...I'M REALLY SORRY ...
...ABOUT THE SHITEN-RIN.
I MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO GET IT BACK.
.....

I WON'T BE ABLE TO PROTECT YOU ANYMORE...
...BUT (MISS) RUUAN IS HERE.
IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT, WON'T IT?
IT DOESN'T MATTER AS LONG AS YOU ARE SAFE.
MASTER TASUKE.
MASTER TASUKE...
...I HOPE...
ABOUT THAT, YOU KNOW...
UMM, WELL....
I ALSO WANTED TO SAY...
...IF I STAY BY YOUR SIDE ANYWAY.
...IT'S OKAY...


EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T USE THE POWERS OF A SHUGO-GETTEN...
...I'LL TRY MY BEST TO BE USEFUL TO YOU.
IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT WITH YOU.
...SHAO.
.....
OF COURSE THAT'S ALL RIGHT.

WHAT?
RU RUJIN?
OH NOES. DOES THAT MEAN RUJIAN'S NOT ENOUGH FOR YOU?
...OKAY.
OH, SHAORIN? IT LOOKS LIKE SHE'S KIND OF...
WHERE'S SHAO?
I WASN'T ZWISHED TALKING TO HER
...CRYING.
SHE SEEMS REALLY SAD AND...
I DON'T THINK THAT'S IT.
.....
I-IS SHE CRYING BECAUSE SHE'S HAPPY, OR WHAT?!
THAT'D MAKE ME HAPPY TOO TEE HEE ♡

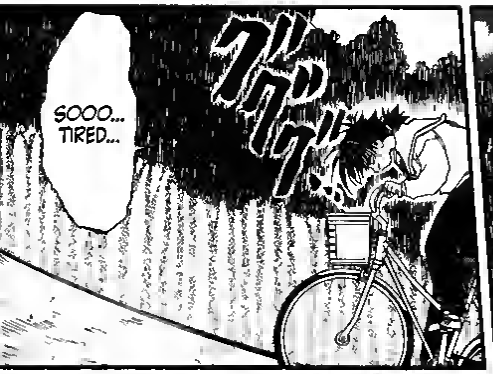
...SHE CAN'T...
...SUMMON THE HOSHIGAMI.
OH.
WITHOUT THE SHITENRIN...
...SAD?
.....
I...
...MIGHT BE THE MOST HEARTLESS PERSON EVER.

I WON'T GIVE UP!
I'LL GET THE SHITENRIN BACK!!
ACK! HE'S SO LOUD!
SHAO! PLEASE LISTEN!
I'LL COME BACK WITH ALL OF THEM!
RISHU AND KOHON AND EVERYBODY.
YES.
WAIT FOR ME!!

THERE'S NO WAY I'LL CATCH THAT TRUCK...
...BUT I CAN'T GIVE UP.
IT MIGHT...
...TAKE A MIRACLE!!

HOW COULD I FORGET?
I WILL GET IT BACK!!
JUST HAVING SHAO ISN'T ALL THAT MATTERS!!
THE HOSHIGAMI HAVE...
...WORKED SO HARD FOR ME...
...AND HELPED ME SO MUCH.

I WON'T GIVE UP UNTIL I SAVE THEM.
I'M SORRY I FORGOT.
COUNT ON ME!!


SOOO... TIRED...

... NNGH.

I'M NOT GIVING UP.

I DON'T WANT...
...TO STOP, BUT...

...MY LEGS...
...WON'T LISTEN.
COME OOOOOOON!!
WHAT ARE YOU YELLING ABOUT?
TRYING TO WAKE THE DEAD?

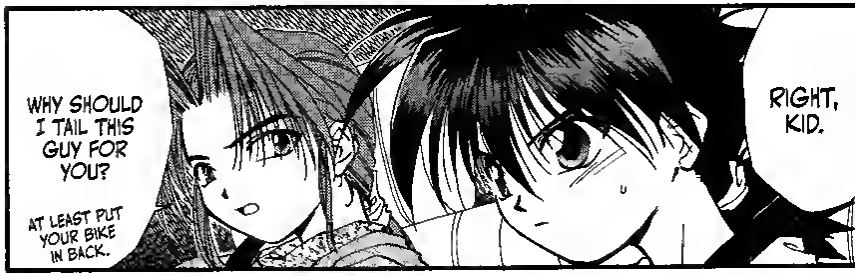
HI TASUKE.
WHAT'S THE DEAL?
IZUMO MIYAUCHI.
HE'S NOT THE MIRACLE, IS HE?
PFT, MORE LIKE A CURSE.
COULDN'T I GET ANOTHER MIRACLE?

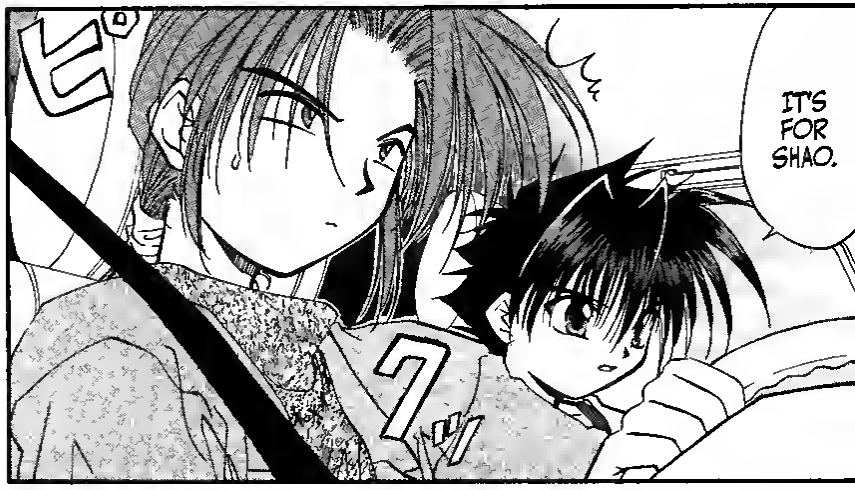
CHAPTER 21
RECOVER THE SHITENRIN!
(PART TWO)

I'LL JUST TOSS THIS UP HERE AND...
UH, HEY, IZUMO...
.....
WHAT THE--?
HEY!
JUST A MINUTE!! WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?!

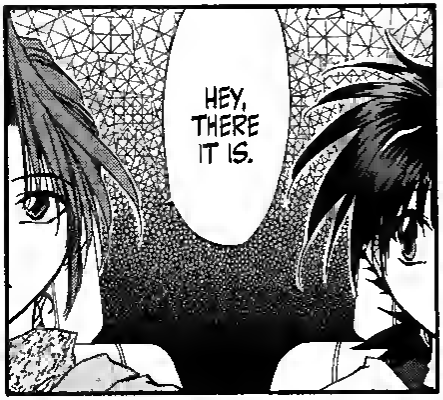
HUH?!
FOLLOW THAT TRUCK!! STEP ON IT!!

OKAY!

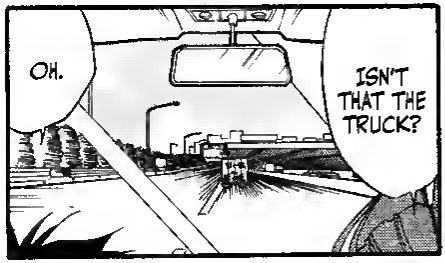

WHY SHOULD I TAIL THIS GUY FOR YOU?
AT LEAST PUT YOUR BIKE IN BACK.
RIGHT, KID.

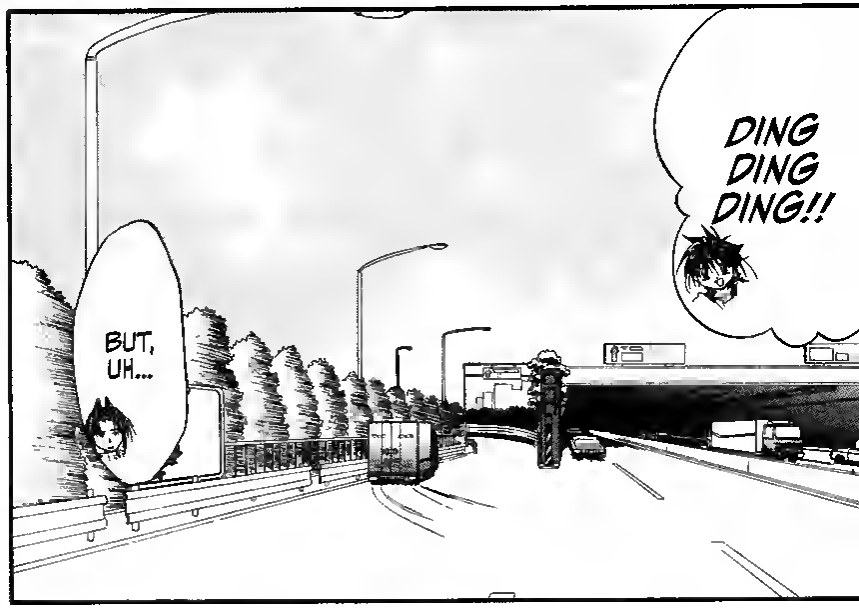

IT'S FOR SHAO.

HOW DOES FOLLOWING THIS TRUCK HELP SHAO?
SO CAN I ASK...
JUST LEAVE IT TO ME!!
THAT TRUCK, RIGHT?
HE'S SO PREDICTABLE.
HER SHITENRIN ...
...IS ON IT.
I SEE.
ON THAT TRUCK.
YOU SAID TO HURRY, DIDN'T YOU?
NOT...
...THAT I'M COMPLAINING, BUT YOUR DRIVING SUCKS!!
DO YOU HAVE A THIRD PERSONALITY FOR DRIVING?
HEY! WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING!!


HEY, THERE IT IS.

IT'LL BE A MIRACLE ...
...IF WE MAKE IT OUT OF THIS ALIVE.
THE GODS ARE ON MY SIDE.


OH.
ISN'T THAT THE TRUCK?


DING DING DING!!
BUT, UH...

HE'S GETTING ON THE FREEWAY.
THEN SO ARE WE!!
THAT I CANNOT DO.
WHAAAT?!
WE CAN'T LET HIM GET AWAY!! YOU HAVE TO GET ON THE FREEWAY!!
I CANNOT DO WHAT I CANNOT DO.
STOP! HEY, YOU LITTLE BRAT, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
SHUT UP AND DRIVE!!
YOU'LL DO IT EVEN IF YOU CAN'T!!
WAI--!!

I PRAY HE DOES THAT SOON.
NOW WE JUST HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL HE PULLS INTO A REST STOP.
WHEW.
HMM?
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...SIGH
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HUH...?
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WHY ARE YOU STOPPING?! WE FOLLOWED HIM THIS FAR!!
I DIDN'T STOP BECAUSE I WANTED TO.
WE'RE OUT OF GAS.
THEN GO TO A GAS STATION.
THIS IS THE FREEWAY; IT'S 20KM TO THE NEXT GAS STATION.
THIS IS WHY I SAID WE COULDN'T GET ON THE FREEWAY.
I COULD GET A TICKET FOR THIS.
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO IF A COP COMES BY?
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YOU SHOULD REALLY LEARN TO LISTEN, TASUKE!!
WHEN PEOPLE TALK, YOU LISTEN!!
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WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHY ARE YOU GETTING OUT?!
I'M GOING TO FOLLOW HIM ON MY BIKE.
THAT'S NUTS!
YOU CAN'T RIDE YOUR BIKE ON THE FREEWAY!!
YOUR GODS ARE WITH YOU.
SHAO IS WITH ME.

.....
SEE YA!
I'M BORROWING YOUR ROPE AND FLARES!!
I'LL JUST CALL FOR HELP.
I HAVE TO GET SOME GAS SOMEHOW.
HE'S REALLY DEDI-CATED.
MAYBE I CAN'T COMPETE WITH HIM.

I CAN'T BREATHE.
MAYBE THIS WAS A BAD IDEA
...SUKE.
MASTER TASUKE!!
HUH, SHAO?!

.....
SORRY, I'M A LITTLE BUSY RIGHT NOW. I CAN'T OPEN THE COMPACT.
BUT DON'T WORRY, I'M GOING TO GET THE SHITENRIN BACK FOR SURE!
MASTER TASUKE.
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PLEASE, COME BACK.
DON'T DO ANYTHING RECKLESS.
IF IT MEANS PUTTING YOU IN DANGER...
...I WILL LET THE SHITENRIN GO

DON'T SAY THAT!
YOU'LL MAKE THE HOSHI-GAMI SAD.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BRING IT BA--
SHAO!
DON'T FORGET...
...ARE IMPOR-TANT TO ME.
YOU'RE MY FAMILY NOW.
...YOU AND...
...THE HOSHI-GAMI...

THERE IS NO WAY...
...I'M GIVING UP ON THEM!!
.....
WHAT?!
ACK!!
WHAT'S WRONG?! MASTER TASUKE!!
T-THE TIRES ARE SMOKING!!

THE TIRES ARE GOING TO BURN OUT AT THIS RATE.
H...
HOLD ON.
YES...
COME OFF!
NGH.
THE TIRE EXPLODED!!
WHA--?!
SLIPS
UUUUH!!
AAAAAHHH!!
MASTER TASUKE?!

.....
MASTER TASUKE?!
MASTER TASUKE, MASTER TASUKE!!
OH NO.
MASTER... TASUKE...

WHAT SHOULD I DO?
WHAT SHOULD I DO? WHAT SHOULD I DO?
MISS RUUAN!
UH... UMM...
SHAORIN...
ボロ
ボロ
NNGH...
ボロ
IF MASTER TASUKI...
...DIES, THEN...
OH, WHAT SHOULD I DO?!!
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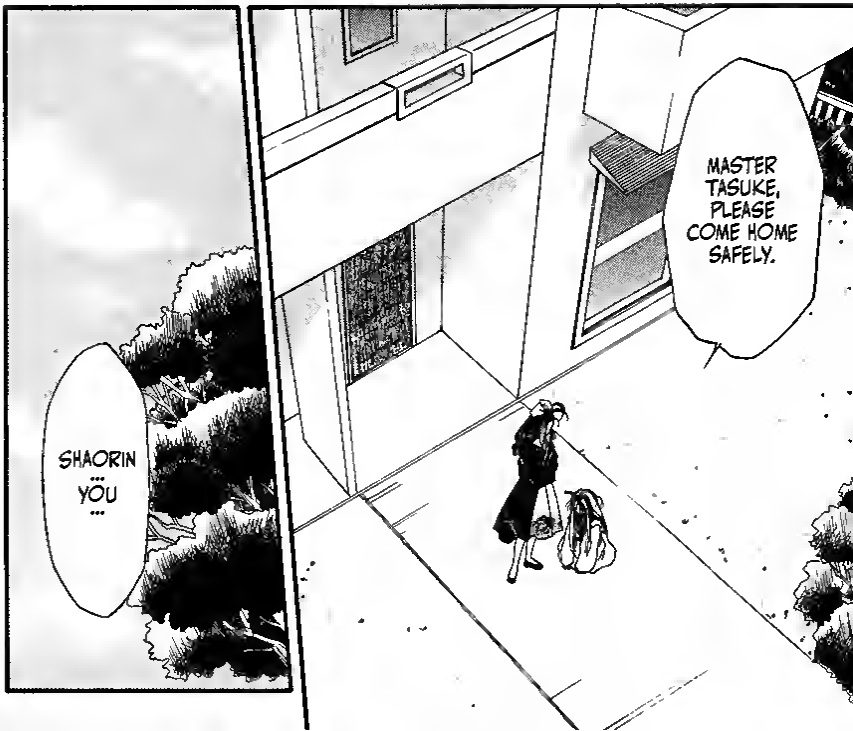
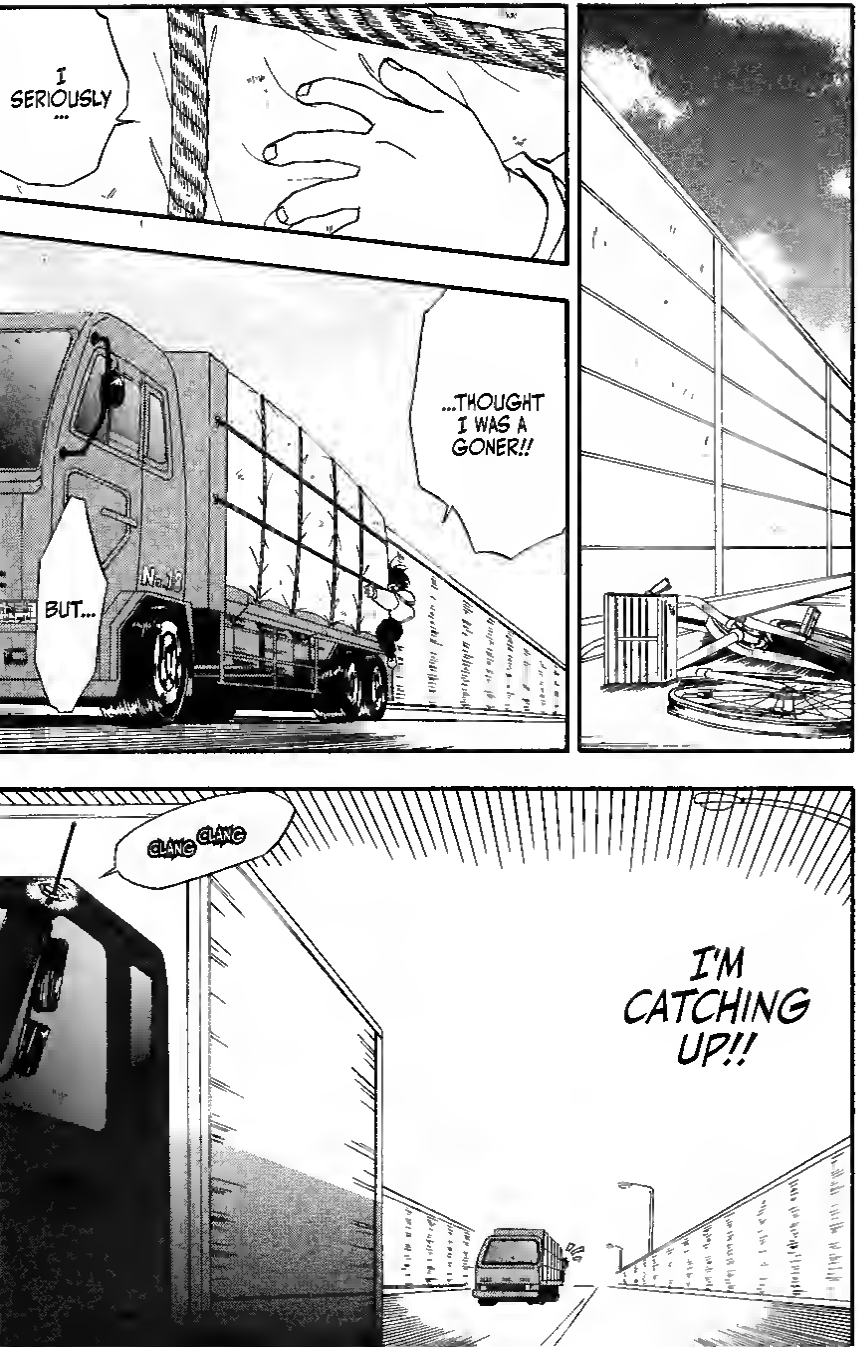
UH... NO.
THAT WON'T HAPPEN...
WHY DID YOU PUT THE SHITENRIN ON THAT TRUCK?
IF ... ... ANYTHING HAPPENS TO MASTER TASUKE ...
...I WILL NEVER FORGIVE YOU!!
.....

MASTER TASUKE ...
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO MASTER TASUKE...
IF SOME-THING HAPPENS ...


SHAORIN ... YOU ...
MASTER TASUKE, PLEASE COME HOME SAFELY.


I SERIOUSLY ...
...THOUGHT I WAS A GONER!!
BUT...
CLANG CLANG
I'M CATCHING UP!!

HAH.
IT'LL BE MY LUCKY DAY IF HE STOPS.
LOOKS LIKE HE'S HEADING FOR THE REST AREA
!!
P
I'M FINALLY GOING TO GET THE SHITENRIN BACK!!
SHAAOOO!
FINALLY....
THIS IS IT

PASSED RIGHT THROUGH!!
HEEEEEY!!!
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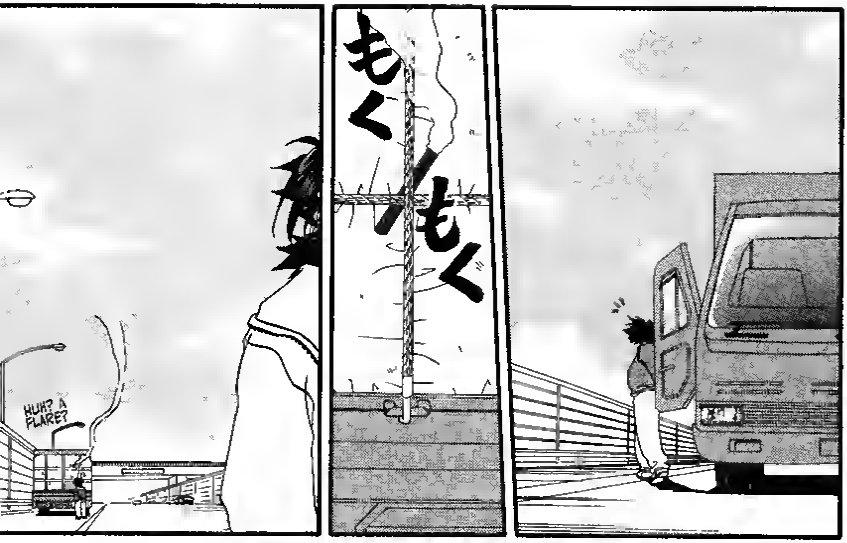
W-WHAT SHOULD I DO? I CAN'T JUMP OFF AT THIS SPEED.
HEY STOP, STUPID!
DON'T YOU NEED TO PEE OR EAT OR SOMETHING?!
I HAVE AN IDEA!
BUT IF I DON'T GET IT NOW, I MAY NEVER GET ANOTHER CHANCE.

HMM?
SMOKE?!
DID SOMETHING CATCH FIRE?!


HUH? A FLARE?
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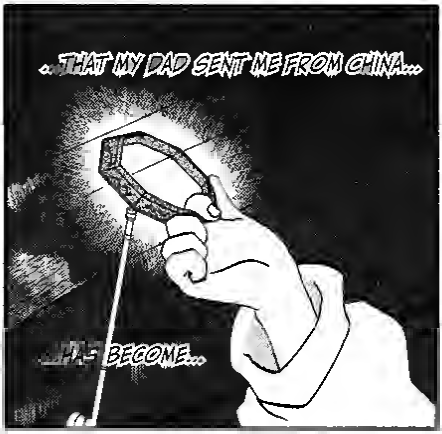
BUT AFTER ALL THIS...
...I DID REALIZE ONE THING...

THIS IS ALL RUUAN'S FAULT...BUT...
HUH.

...THAT CRAZY ANTIQUE...
"THERE SURE ARE SOME CRAZY THINGS IN THIS WORLD."
"...I GUESS I'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT."
IN THE PAST YEAR...
"THE SALESMAN TOLD ME THAT IF SOMEONE PURE OF HEART LOOKS INTO THE RING AND SEES A LIGHT INSIDE, HE WILL BE GRANTED THE PROTECTION OF HEAVEN."


...THAT MY DAD SENT ME FROM CHINA...
...BECOME...

SIGH. I'M GLAD THAT'S OVER.

...VERY IMPORTANT TO ME.

OUR...
...FAMILY...
SHAO.
I GOT THE SHITENRIN.
WHEW! I-I'M GLAD.
I REALLY SWEATED THAT ONE I REALLY DID!
.....
NNGH.

.....
WHAT, SHAO?!
W-W-WHAT'S WRONG NOW?!
I WAS...
MASTER TASUKE... I WAS...
THANK YOU...
...VERY MUCH.

I WAS SO WORRIED ABOUT YOU! I'M HAPPY YOU'RE OKAY.
PLEASE...
...COME HOME SOON.
I CAN'T WAIT...
...TO SEE YOU, MASTER TASUKE.

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HUUH?!
WHERE'D IT GO?!

SHAO..

GOOD AFTER-NOON, MISS SHAORIN!!
I BOUGHT SOME KUZUMOCHI AND SOME DANGO, WHICH WOULD YOU LIKE?
.....

BUT KUZUMOCHI ARE DELICIOUS TOO.
HEY!!

IN MY OPINION ...
... THE DANGO ARE MORE SWEET AND LOVELY LIKE MISS SHAORIN. ♡

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I DON'T LIKE THAT LOOK IN YOUR EYE.

HOW WERE YOU PLANNING ON GETTING HOME ANYWAY?
OH...
IF YOU'RE NICE, I MIGHT GIVE YOU A RIDE
GRRRR. JUST WHEN I WAS HAVING A NICE MOMENT WITH SHAO!!
ESPECIALLY WHEN I CAME ALL THIS WAY BECAUSE I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU.
I HAD TO CALL SOMEONE AND HAVE THEM BRING ME GAS AND ANYWAY, IT WAS SUCH A PAIN.
UMM, I LIKE DANGO.
SO, MISS SHAORIN, DO YOU PREFER DANGO OR KUZUMOCHI?
THIS SUCKS.
I GUESS THAT MEANS I HAVE TO LET HIM SPOIL MY MOMENT.
JUST BRING THEM BOTH!